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Remarkable Duff Cooper Speech

Paris, To-day.

Mr. A. Duff Cooper, former First Lord of the Admiralty, speaking at a public lecture here yesterday, said that Germany's programme to-day was far more aggressive than in 1914.

"Hitler's programme is the destruction of France," he declared.

"All Hitler's promises have been broken, and it would be an error to found the policy of our two countries on yesterday's renewed promises." (A reference to the Franco-German declaration).

Mr. Duff-Cooper argued that Germany is not so strong militarily as many supposed, and added that the alliance between France and the British Empire was the most powerful in the world.

There was no greater advocate of peace than himself, but war could not be avoided by perpetual concessions.

THE DIFFERENCE

Comparing the democracies and dictatorships, he said that in the past twenty years no means had been neglected in Britain and France to inculcate in young minds a horror of war, whereas in the last five years beyond the Rhine the younger generation had been taught that war was the noblest of things.

The former British Cabinet Minister declared that the par-

MR. PIROW TELLS HIS STORY

London, To-day.

Mr. Pirow, the South African Defence Minister, called on the Prime Minister, Mr. Chamberlain, yesterday afternoon. The interview, which lasted half an hour, is believed to have been arranged in order to enable Mr. Pirow to inform the British Prime Minister of the impressions he had gathered during his tour of the European capitals. — Trans-Ocean.

FRENCH STRIKE FEVER WANING

Paris, To-day.

The strike movement is now waning.

The strike committee at Valenciennes has ordered unconditional resumption of work by 150,000 metal workers, while only 534 out of nearly 10,000 continue to strike at Lille.

Shipping companies have offered to reinstate the striking crews provided they return unconditionally.

It is expected the offer will be accepted. — Reuter.

HUNGARY WANTS PIECE OF RUMANIA

Budapest, To-day.

Hungary's claim to that part of Transylvania which was ceded to Rumania in 1919, is voiced in the Conservative organ, "Magyarsag," which has thereby taken the lead in the matter.

In the past, Hungarian papers have been content to throw out hints about the future of the Hungarians living outside the country after the Vienna Arbitration award, but "Magyarsag" now openly demands application of the principle of self-determination for the Hungarian minority in Rumania.

This minority, it says, must be given the earliest possible opportunity to decide whether it wishes to return to the mother country, or whether it prefers the present status.

Political circles here are inclined to see in this move a certain reorganisation of Hungarian policy, brought about by opposition by Germany to Hungary's demands for the annexation of Carpatho-Ukraine. — Trans-Ocean.

OPEN DOOR CONFERENCE IN TOKYO

Tokyo, To-day.

An important diplomatic meeting takes place to-day.

Mr. Arita, the Foreign Minister, has invited Sir Robert Craigie, British Ambassador, and Mr. Joseph Grew, the American Ambassador, to meet him to-day for an exchange of views and contention on the "open door" equal opportunity principles concerning China, on the basis of the Japanese Government's reply to the American Note on November 18. — Reuter.

BRITISH SHIP BOMBED

London, To-day.

According to reports received here yesterday, the British steamer "Lake Geneva" was damaged by a bomb dropped by a Spanish Nationalist plane during an attack on Alicante. The crew of the steamer escaped unhurt. The Lake Geneva it will be recalled figured in another incident in October when it was under fire off Barcelona. — Trans-Ocean.

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He possessed only one share, valued at £8 16s. 5d., in the Standard Oil Company, the vast empire he founded.

The Government will receive £4,000,000 of the £5,381,036 8s. estate listed in his will, published to-day. It was known that Rockefeller had given away about 100 of the millions for which he had fought with all the ruthlessness he could muster.

To his family and successors he had distributed the greater part of his wealth long before his death. Further evidence of this is found in the will.

BACKED A LOSER

His son and heir, John D. Rockefeller the second, receives only £6,000. The principal beneficiaries are Mrs. Margaret Decuevas, his granddaughter, and her two children. Mrs. Decuevas is left the residue of the estate in trust.

In the will was evidence, too, of the only time the wizard of the oil industry backed a loser. Among the assets were listed 27,733 shares in the Mount Powell Mines Company, acquired by Rockefeller in 1904. They were described as having no value.

Also among his property were:—

An incomplete dinner set, 121 pieces.

Twelve champagne tumblers and twelve cocktail glasses. (Rockefeller was a staunch prohibitionist.)

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In some distant day those collar-studs will probably be worth their weight in radium as trophies of the man who built the greatest fortune the world has ever known.

JAPANESE LOYANG SECTOR LOSSES

Shanghai, To-day.

A list compiled of Japanese losses during October and November in the Loyang territory, in Honan province, states that 18 officers, including one Lieutenant General, and 1765 soldiers, were killed while two officers and 685 soldiers were wounded and three officers and 170 soldiers taken prisoner.—Trans-Ocean.

BALKANS ARMY CONFERENCE

Athens, To-day.

The Chiefs of the General Staffs of the Rumanian, Yugoslav, Turkish and Greek armies are in complete agreement on all points. It was declared—here in an official communique issued at the conclusion of the conference of the Balkan Entente States.

The communique stated that the discussions were carried on in an "extremely friendly atmosphere."

The Generals will leave the Greek capital to-day.—Trans-Ocean.



Three charming studies of that popular young star, Deanna Durbin, whose latest film, "That Certain Age," starts at the Queen's Theatre to-morrow. The "China Mail's" offer of free photographs of Miss Durbin has unfortunately had to be discontinued, as due to the unprecedented demand, which started shortly after the first edition was on the streets yesterday and continued till after 5 o'clock, the supply has been exhausted.

Japanese Take Soundings Near Yeung Kong

Macau, To-day.

Reports that the Japanese landed a large force of troops and bluejackets at Yeung Kong, halfway between Hong Kong and Kwongchow Wan, yesterday, appear to be premature.

It is learned from a reliable source that no landing was attempted in that vicinity.

Mayor Outlaws Nude Dancers

TWO OF BROADWAY'S BRIGHTEST "NIGHT SPOTS" HAVE BEEN CLOSED AND OTHER LEADING CABARETS ARE THE TARGET OF A VIGOROUS "CLEAN-UP" CAMPAIGN BY THE POLICE.

A tourist from the Middle West, shocked by daring performances, wrote to Mayor LaGuardia, who has answered swiftly by outlawing nudity on Broadway.

The licences of the famous International Casino and the Midnight Sun Club—where Ellinore Troy, New York show girl, slapped Jack Doyle's face a month ago—have been suspended for 24 hours.

NO STRIP TEASE

Deputy Police Commissioner Cornelius O'Leary, who a few months ago stopped popular burlesque shows, has laid down strict regulations to curb risque performances. Fan or hubble dances are forbidden, and all show girls must be adequately clothed.

All forms of strip tease are prohibited and show girls are not permitted to sit at tables with unattached men patrons.

New Yorkers are amazed at these "puritanical" rulings, but Mayor LaGuardia is determined to make the shows fit for less sophisticated eyes from the Middle West.

Several Japanese gunboats and trawlers are anchored off Yeung Kong in Deep Bay, and yesterday morning, launches were sent close to the shore, where sounding operations were carried out.

They made no attempt to land and the Chinese did not fire on them.

A state of panic, however, prevails in Yeung Kong and many civilians are fleeing upriver to Yeung Chun.—Our Own Correspondent.

VATICAN'S REPRESENTATIVE IN BRITAIN

London, To-day.

Regarding the appointment by the Vatican of an Apostolic Delegate to Great Britain, Mr. R. A. Butler stated in the Commons that the Apostolic Delegate was an ecclesiastical official appointed to carry out certain ecclesiastical duties, and who enjoyed no diplomatic status or privileges.

The appointment was a question for the Vatican alone.

There had no hitherto been an Apostolic Delegate in Great Britain, but for some time past such delegates had been appointed to Canada, Australia, South Africa and India.—British Wireless.

PALESTINE CONFERENCE ACCEPTANCES

London, To-day.

Egypt, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Trans-Jordan and the Jewish agency have already accepted the invitations to attend the Palestine Conference in London, announced the Dominions and Colonial Secretary, Mr. Malcolm Macdonald, in the House of Commons yesterday.

A formal invitation had been sent to the King of Yemen.

In regard to Arab representation the Government was giving facilities to those debarred and excluded from Palestine if they were chosen.

PALESTINE CHOICE

In order that the deportees would be available, it had been decided to release them as soon as transport was arranged. They would be free to go anywhere except in Palestine.

Replying to supplementary questions Mr. Macdonald said that selection of representatives of Palestine Arabs was primarily a matter for the Palestine Arabs themselves.—Reuter.

RELEASE ORDERED

The Colonial Office announces that in pursuance of the decision in regard to Arabs excluded from Palestine, the Government has ordered the release of Arabs now detained in the Seychelle Islands. Release will be final.—Reuter.

STAND-BY ORDERS IN MACAO

Macao, To-day.

It is reliably learned that the Portuguese authorities have ordered troops and police to stand by for instructions to man the Macao-Chungshan border should the necessity occur.

Refugees are pouring in in considerable numbers, and the authorities are now negotiating for the establishment of Refugee Camps in Chinese territory near the Portuguese border.—Our Own Correspondent.

In The Munich Tradition

British View Of Franco-German Declaration

Easier Relations All Round Thought Possible

London, To-day.

Although no British official or semi-official statement about the Franco-German peace declaration is available, keen satisfaction is expressed by one authoritative British quarter about the culmination of the negotiations between France and Germany.

Main interest in political circles is in the result of the conversations in Paris between von Ribbentrop and M. Bonnet, and the probable outcome of the Franco-German declaration on practical politics generally.

There seems to be unanimity of opinion that the chapter of French eastern policy of the last twenty years is now definitely closed, and that the Franco-Soviet Alliance from December 6 onwards will only exist in form.

It is, in this connection, stated in some quarters that the eastern obligations of France in the post-war years meant for England a new, and at the same time, an extremely perilous and extremely unpleasant burden.

Authoritative circles believe that Germany may have an important role to play in overcoming Franco-Italian tension. Attention is directed to the call of the Italian Ambassador in Paris on the Reich Foreign Minister, von Ribbentrop on Tuesday.

WITHDRAWAL OF LOYALIST VOLUNTEERS

Geneva, To-day.

The International Commission sent to Republican Spain by the League at the request of the Barcelona Government has according to reports received here, now completed the first part of its task which was to supervise withdrawal of foreign volunteers fighting in Republican ranks.

It is stated that the Commission has given assurance that the withdrawal of those volunteers from active service has now been completed.

A large number is said to have already left Spain, while the remainder have been placed in camps in various villages.

It is affirmed that 5,000 volunteers, including 2,000 Frenchmen, will have left Spain before December 10.

The International Commission will, it is added, proceed without delay to Valencia in order to continue its work.—Trans-Ocean.

It is felt the Paris agreement will have a reflex effect on Anglo-German relations tending towards relaxation of the tension and general improvement.

Definite hopes in this direction seem to exist.

The view is held that an improvement of Anglo-German relations is possible and desirable in both the political and economic spheres.

"The Times" expresses the opinion that agreements such as that signed in Paris serve to check those who might otherwise entertain belligerent aspirations.

All the English papers observe that the Franco-German declarations has been much more carefully considered and prepared than the similar document signed by Germany and England.—Trans-Ocean.

FRENCH LEFT WING CRITICISM

Paris, To-day.

In lengthy commentaries on the Franco-German declaration the French morning papers endorse the declaration as a significant step towards peace.

"Figaro" writes: "This establishment of contact between the two nations and this psychological appeasement can and must create a substantial basis upon which both countries can develop their mutual policy in an atmosphere free from politics."

The Left Wing papers are outspoken in criticism, "Humanite" attacking both M. Daladier and von Ribbentrop, and asserting that in signing the declaration, France has betrayed her loyal Ally in Eastern Europe.

Writing in "Populaire" the leader of the French Social Democrats, Leon Blum, says that signing of the declaration has not changed the situation at all.

France will maintain her alliances with other nations, he asserts, and the Berlin-Rome axis as well as the Anti-Comintern Pact between Berlin and Rome and Tokyo will continue to dominate German foreign policy.—Trans-Ocean.



THE TERRIBLE TWINS. These are not really the terrible twins—although they look it. They are two of the four tiger cubs born at Whipsnade Zoo four months ago and as the picture shows are no longer playful little cubs. Photo shows a striking study of two of the tiger cubs—all snarls.

SWISS TO CONTROL IMMIGRANTS

Berne, To-day.

The President of the Swiss Confederation, Doctor Baumann in his capacity as Federal Councillor for Justice and Police, made a declaration yesterday before the National Council concerning conditions for admission of foreign Jews into Switzerland.

The President emphasised the standpoint already taken by the Federal Council that owing alike to unemployment and the excessive number of foreign refugees in the country, Switzerland could henceforth only be a land of transit for Jewish or other refugees.

In order to ensure better control of emigrants wishing to enter Switzerland, the Federal Council had enacted that passports of all foreign Jews must be marked conspicuously with a capital "J" and that only those emigrants may be admitted to cross the Swiss frontier who are in possession of a visa delivered by a Swiss consulate.

MANY DESTITUATES

President Baumann estimated the number of destitute Jewish refugees who had come to Switzerland in July and August at about 2,300, and added that some 200 more had entered the country since then.

These destitute refugees were looked after by the Swiss Jewish organisation.

As for necessitous foreign Jewish children, Switzerland could on principle only admit them temporarily, and the maximum number must not exceed 300.

The number of political refugees in Switzerland was between 10 and 12 thousand, and their transportation to other countries was under existing circumstances very slow. The Federal Council hoped, however, it would be possible to speed it up within the next few months.—Trans-Ocean.

PRINCE PAUL RUMOUR

London, To-day.

Reports of an alleged attempt on

SIX MONTHS AFTER

London, To-day.

One hundred and nineteen mayors have signed an appeal to the governments of the world to protest against the bombardment of open towns, especially Canton.

The appeal is in response to telegrams sent in June from the Mayor of Canton, Tseng Yang-fu, to the Secretariat of the International Peace Campaign, in which particular reference was made to the air raids on Canton.

The appeal states: "The conscience revolts at the thought of the merciless killing of mothers and children . . . we appeal to the population of our cities and the cities of all countries to protest against these bombardments, so that the force of public opinion will cause the Japanese Government to end these massacres."

"We appeal to all governments in the world without exception to protest on behalf of their own peoples. By so doing they will render an inestimable service to humanity."—Reuter.

INDIAN POLITICAL OFFENDER

London, To-day.

The leader of the anti-Hindu movement in Madras, Ramaswami Naicker, has been sentenced to one year's imprisonment states a report received here.

Naicker was chosen President of the Non-Brahmin conference. He was afterwards charged with having in this capacity delivered speeches inciting his hearers to acts against public peace and order.—Trans-Ocean.

the life of the Yugoslav Regent, Prince Paul, are denied here by the police who characterise all such rumours as fantastic.—Trans-Ocean.

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Wuchow, To-day.

More than 200 civilians, including women and children, were killed and wounded in Kweiping during a Japanese air raid yesterday. — Central News.

**D'AGUILAR ST.
INCIDENT**

Tang Kwok-leung, unemployed, was charged with stealing a handbag from Mrs. J. M. Jack, of No. 6 Essex Crescent, before Mr. R. Edwards this morning.

Det. Sergt. Dewar, prosecuting, said Mrs. Jack was shopping in D'Aguilar Street. Defendant picked up her handbag and walked out, but was stopped outside by a constable, with the bag in his possession.

Defendant said he was forced to steal. He needed money to go back to Macao.

He was ordered to sign a bond of \$30 to be of good behaviour, and to be sent back to Macao.

**STOLE BABY'S
SHAWL**

Before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest this morning, Kwong Chuen, 37, was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour, for the theft of a shawl from Mr. L. Blair, of No. 17 Broadwood Road, yesterday.

Defendant went into the garden of Mr. Blair's residence, and took the shawl from a perambulator.

**BRITISH GIRL'S
RECORD**

London, To-day.

At Wallasey Doris Storey broke the world record for the women's two hundred yards' breast stroke with 2 minutes 42.5 seconds. It was formerly held by the German, Hanni Holtzner with 2/42.6.

Miss Storey is the only British swimmer holding a world record. — Reuter.

A young Chinese woman, Li Wanchau, was yesterday admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital, suffering from opium poisoning. She was found in a serious condition at room No. 307, New Asia Hotel.

**CZECHOSLOVAKIA
COMPLAINING**

Prague, To-day.

Czechoslovakia is complaining of the bad treatment of Czechs living in Poland. The "Prazsky Vecer" the Czech Agrarian newspaper bitterly attacks the Poles for refusing to allow the Czech minority in Poland to establish schools. Official Polish quarters have expressly showed that not a single Czech school will be allowed to exist in the former Czechoslovak territory. All Czechs who had taken an active part in politics are being expelled from the ceded territory. Between 50 and 100 persons are put across the frontier each day. — Trans-Ocean.

**BRITAIN
INFORMED OF
RIBBENTROP TALK**

Paris, To-day.

The French Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bonnet, yesterday received Sir Eric Phipps, the British Ambassador, and acquainted him with the whole of the previous day's talks with Herr von Ribbentrop, the Nazi Foreign Minister. — Reuter.

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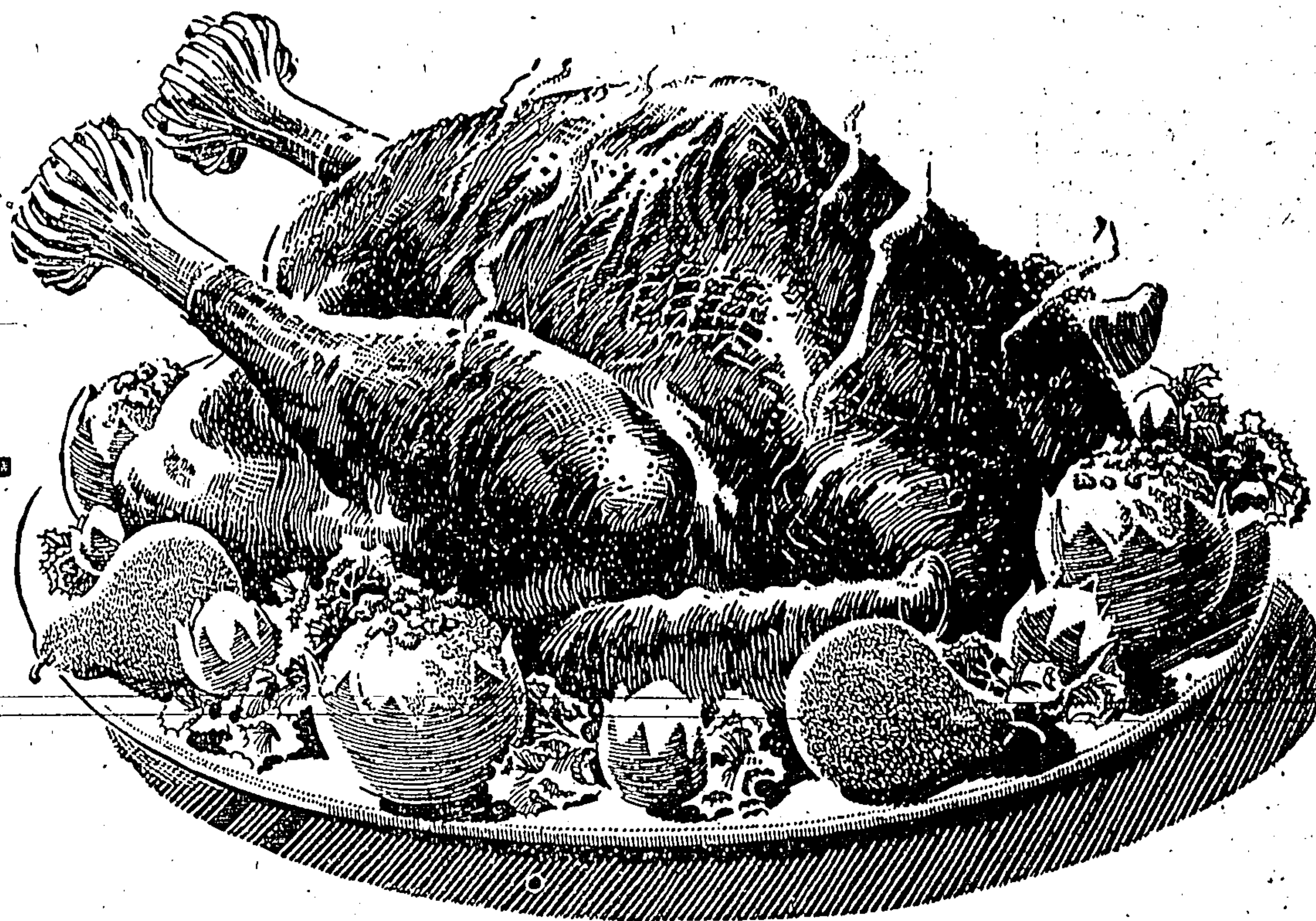
Damascus, To-day.

The Arab High Committee has issued a denial of reports that the Committee had received an invitation to send delegates to the Round Table conference in London. — Ocean.

Mr. Hughes, of "Woodside," Mount Parker Road, has reported that at about 8.40 a.m. yesterday, some person stole from his motor car No. 4967, money and clothing to the value of \$122. The car was parked near Gap Road.



Mrs. Claude Hulbert, the radio, stage and film comedian, and his wife (Enid Trevor) are now on holiday at Felpham, near Bognor. With them are Jacqueline and Jill, their two daughters, Pamela (daughter of Jack Hulbert) and Sally Ann and Peter (children of Bobby Howes). Photo shows Mr. and Mrs. Hulbert are taken for a ride by Peter and Sally Ann Howes, "Jackie" and Jill Hulbert, and Jean Worton (a niece).



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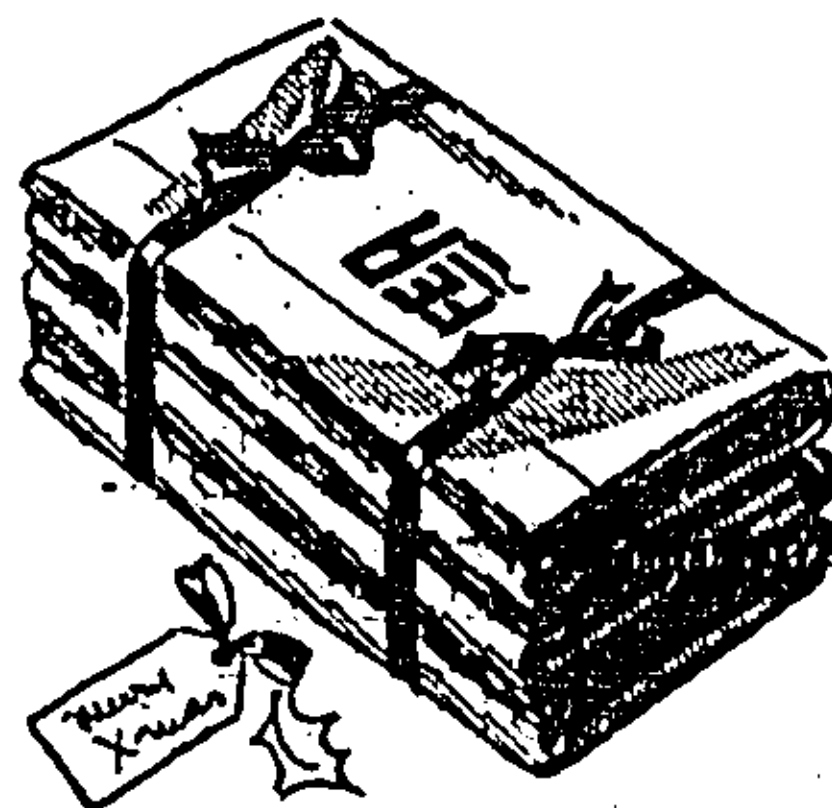
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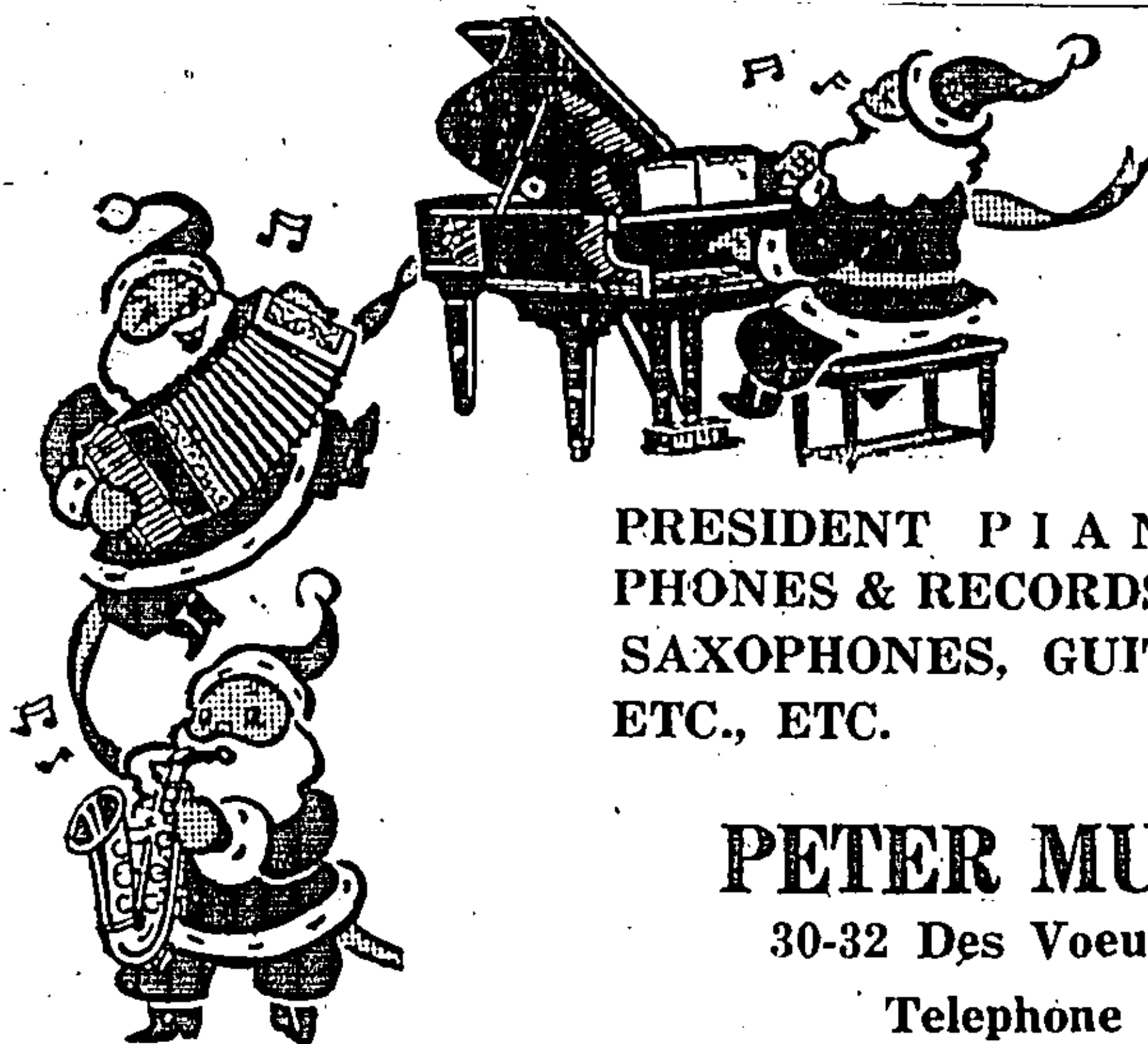
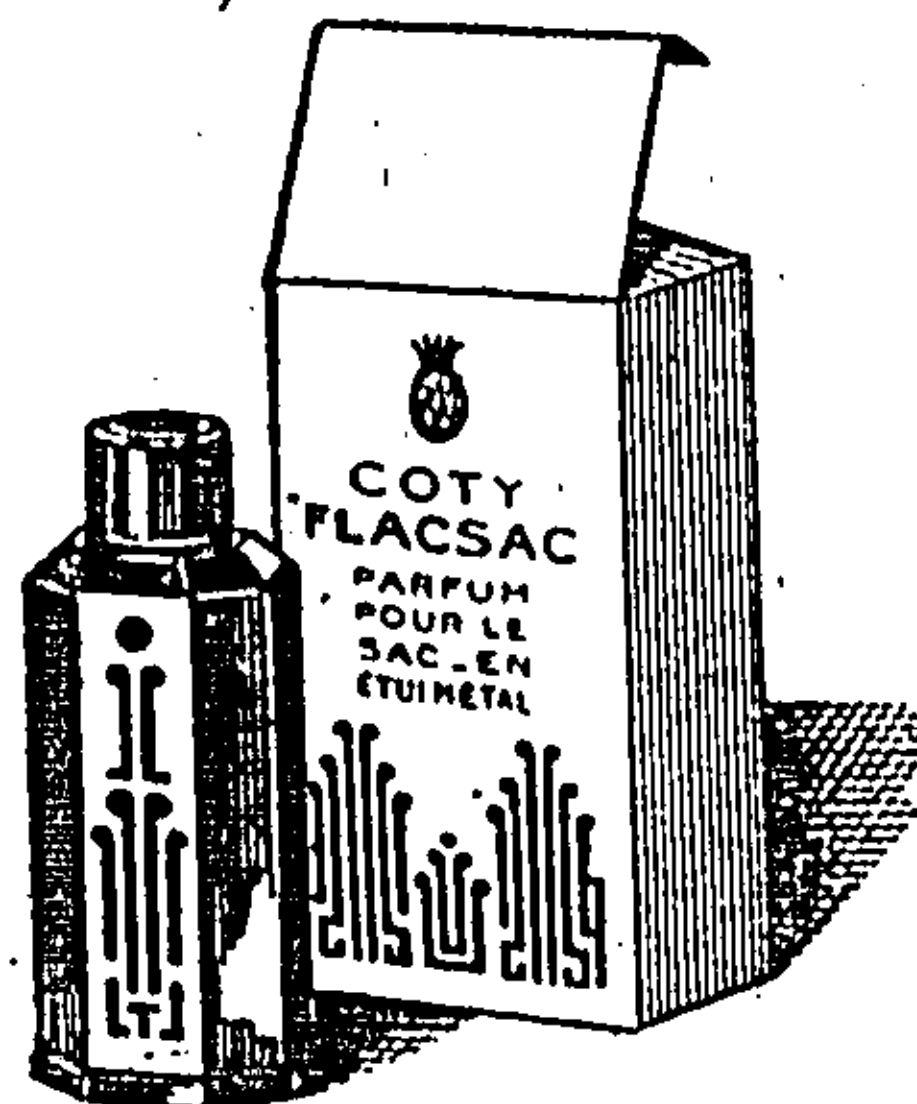
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Please read this letter in the spirit in which it is meant, realising that I am writing it with no intention of condemning, but with the hope that I may help.

I am not here to criticise. There are always too many people in the world who are prepared to do that for you. What you have done, and what you are continuing to do, is your own business. If it makes you happy, then that is nobody else's affair.

But the fact that it does effect other people, IS somebody else's affair, and the fact that you are not happy at heart is what spurs me to write this letter to you to-day.

You married a man for whom you cared tremendously at the time, or thought you did, and in your eyes it all came to very much the same thing. You married him and gradually that love wore a trifle thin. Everydayness wore down the beauty.

You saw the gold rubbing off. This was as unfortunate for him as it was for you, but I don't suppose you had much time to think of anyone save yourself, because that is a way that women have.

I am sorry.

I am not condemning you in this.

What really happened was that the urgency of living made you feel this way.

If you wanted to go out in the evenings he seemed to be too tired. There wasn't time for the gay and inconsequential things that had been there prior to marriage.

You were in the mood to fall out of love, long before you did. My dear unfaithful wife, this is nothing unique.

It has happened to hundreds of women before you: only hundreds of women have blamed their husbands when the fault really lay in life.

You met the man of your dreams. You met him at the worst possible moment, because that always happens. He was everything that your husband was not, or you looked at him through different eyes. Which ever it was it amounted to the same thing in the end. He was fascinating. He had time to make love to you. You thrilled again when he kissed you.

His kisses were "a hundred times the sweeter because you knew quite well that you ought to have flared up and have been shocked by them. Stolen fruit is always more attractive than the fruit which grows in your own garden.

If you had met the other man before marriage I doubt very much if he would have married you. He was so much more glamorous because he was not yours to love. You were glamorous to him for the same reason.

Of the men who attract married women I would say emphatically that nine out of ten do so with no intention of anything serious behind it. Honour is not their strong card. They love an intrigue.

Your husband discovered

what was happening. He did not adopt the time-decreed code. He did not brandish a horse-whip at your lover, nor did he pursue you and lock you in your room vowing eternal vengeance. He took it all in a common-sense manner, and disappointed you considerably.

Because he is the ordinary everyday man. Had he behaved along fairy tale principles, then, you would have been happier, and, incidentally, he would have installed himself much more firmly in the castle of your heart. You wanted glamour. You wanted romance. He wanted your happiness.

Because, he cares for you, quite sincerely and honestly, he did not want to hurt the man you might love, or to frighten you. Acting as he thought, for your good he estranged himself all the more.

He offered you generously a divorce if that was what you wanted. "He can't love me," you cried despairingly. On the contrary, he loved you so much that he was looking at it from your point of view, and doing his best to save you pain.

My dear, listen to sense. Let the moralists say what they like, but do listen to common sense. Everydayness is a good quality in a husband; glamour is a bad one.

Nobody wants a husband on whom every other girl casts a glad eye. The glamorous man whom you adore might not wear so well as the husband who is thoughtful for your future.

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He has availed himself of what you had to offer in a mean manner.

You know as well as I do that your good, stolid husband would never have done anything like this, and you could trust him anywhere.

You know as well as I do that if you did marry this Casanova you would be always wondering about the blonde next door. And it is so agitating to be always on thorns about such trivial details. The humdrum may be uneventful, but it is at least safe.

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Major-General and Mrs. Bartholomew have taken up residence at Government House, prior to their departure for Home in the "Canton" on Saturday.

CHINA TO FIGHT OPIUM EVIL DESPITE WAR

Chungking, To-day.

The Chinese Cabinet, meeting on Tuesday, unanimously decided that in spite of the present war the Chinese Government must do its utmost to exterminate the opium evil throughout China, declared a spokesman of the Executive Yuan.

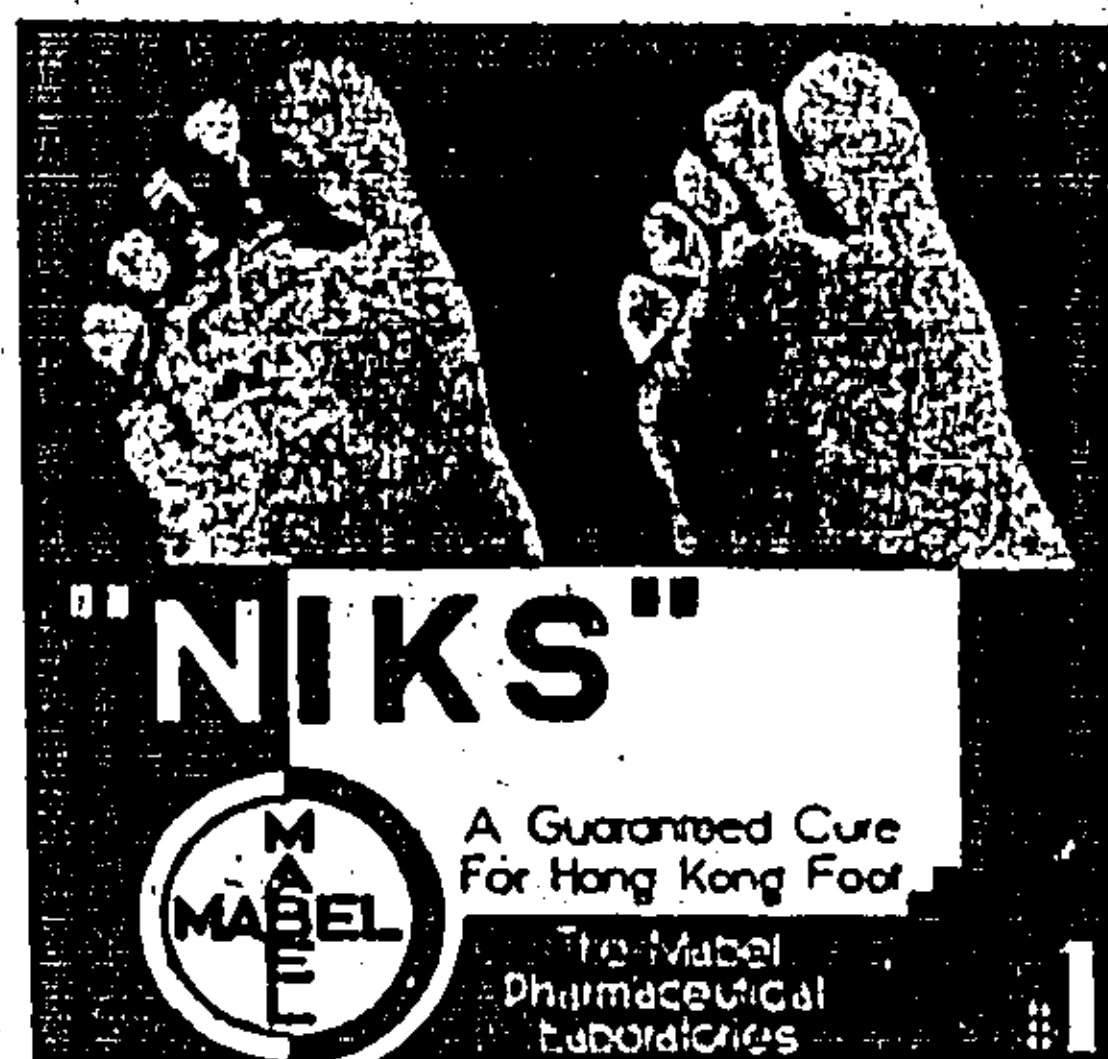
The spokesman stated that the Cabinet had approved a programme for complete suppression of opium in Szechuen province within the next year, allotting over \$3,000,000 for the next year's Budget, for an increase in staff centres, as compared with \$1,000,000 previously.

It is planned to adopt a similar programme in other provinces. — Reuter.

ROSYTH DOCK TO BE REOPENED

London, To-day.

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Admiralty, Mr. Geoffrey Shakespeare, announced in the Commons that it had been decided after careful consideration that the needs of the growing Fleet required re-opening of the dockyard at Rosyth on a limited scale. — British Wireless.



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FRANCO THREAT TO BOMB OPEN TOWNS

London, To-day.

In reference to the alleged recent threat made by the Spanish Nationalists by wireless to bomb towns and villages in Spanish Government territory, and replying to a statement in a Commons question that over seventy civilians had been killed in recent air-raids by the Nationalists, Mr. R. A. Butler said he could only reiterate the views of the British Government on aerial bombardment of the civilian population of open towns — of which views General Franco was fully aware.

Answering a request that he should appeal to General Franco not to carry out a policy directed against the civilian population, the Prime Minister replied that the Government's view had been stated, and General Franco's administration was well aware of that view. — British Wireless.

NOT JEALOUS OF PLAN

London, To-day.

Answering a Commons question the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs said that under the British plan for withdrawal of foreign volunteers from the Spanish war — approved by the non-intervention committee — machinery was provided for withdrawal of all volunteers from Spain, but if volunteers were to be evacuated from both sides without use being made of the British plan, His Majesty's Government would for their part see no reason to be dissatisfied. — British Wireless.

REICH AND CHINA AMBASSADOR

Chungking, To-day.

It is learned from diplomatic circles that the German Government has notified the Chinese Embassy in Berlin that the reception of Mr. Chen Chieh, the new Chinese Ambassador to Germany, will be held in Berlin on December 15, when he will present his credentials. — Central News.

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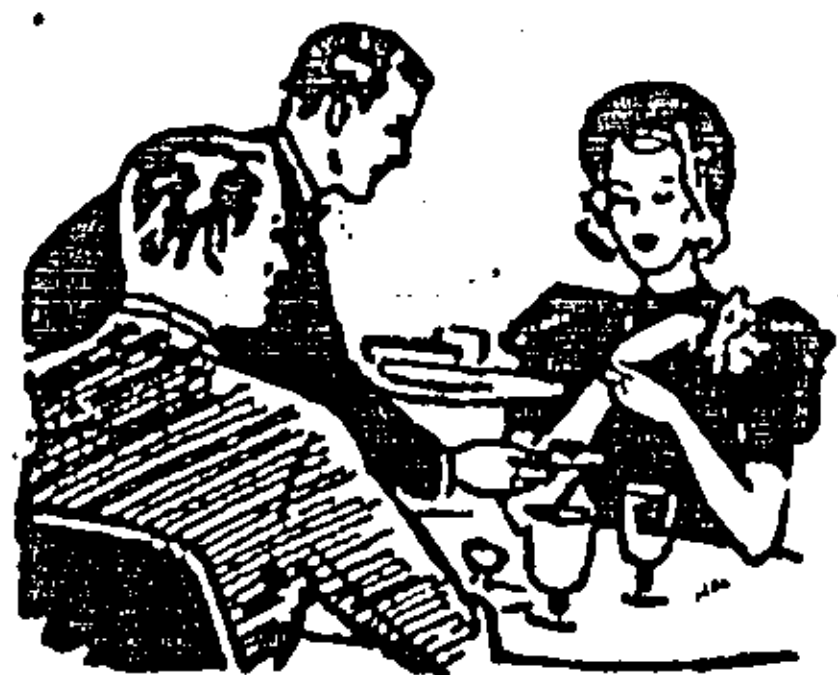
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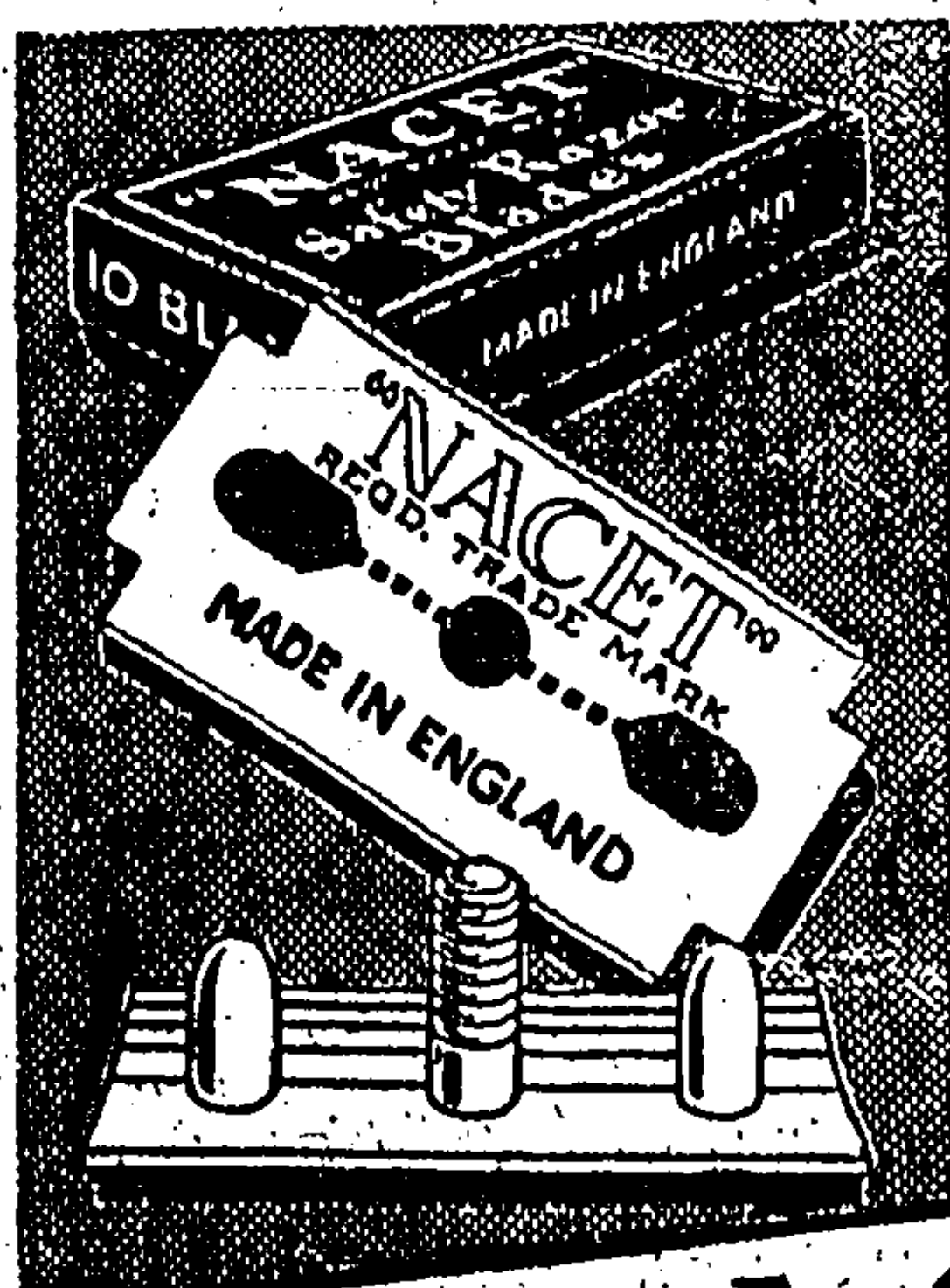


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SHARP ATTACK ON HITLER COLONIAL DEMANDS IN HOUSE OF COMMONS

London, To-day.

Britain's colonial policy was discussed in the House of Commons last evening when Mr. Philip Noel-Baker (Labour, Derby), moving the Labour Opposition motion, recalled the "brutal frankness" of Hitler's claim that the former German colonies should be returned.

The claim made at Munich shortly after the four-power conference was that Colonies must be returned without exception, without conditions, without the mandate system and without delay.

By Article 119 of the Versailles Treaty, Germany renounced all her rights and titles over her former overseas possessions, and in law that Article was absolutely decisive.

The rulers of Germany and Italy were artificially increasing the populations of their countries to increase man-power, which they hope to use in future wars.

"It is not part of the duties of a peaceful world to provide colonial outlets in which that object can be achieved," declared Mr. Baker.

REAL TRUTH

Quoting statistics, Mr. Noel Baker said that in 1914, imports from her colonies to Germany were only 5 per cent of her total imports, 10/- in £100.

The real truth was that what were called colonies to-day were not an important source of raw material for any nation.

He said that Hitler's racial theories showed his Government was utterly unfit to be trusted with the fate of a backward people.

His treatment of the Jews showed what inferior subject races might expect at his hands.

IS IT CONCEIVABLE?

"We are spending to-day £2,000,000,000 in money in preparing for war, and if war comes it will be against the government who have been guilty of aggression.

"Is it conceivable that while there is still the risk of war we should give an aggressive power new bases from which our shipping or our territory will be attacked?"

"With Hitler in Tanganyika or the West Coast of Africa to-day, it would make Africa what Europe is

to-day, a volcano of fear, turmoil and unrest, and would start the forming of great black armies by which the whole history of the Continent might be changed."—Reuter.

HELEN VINSON SUES PERRY FOR DIVORCE

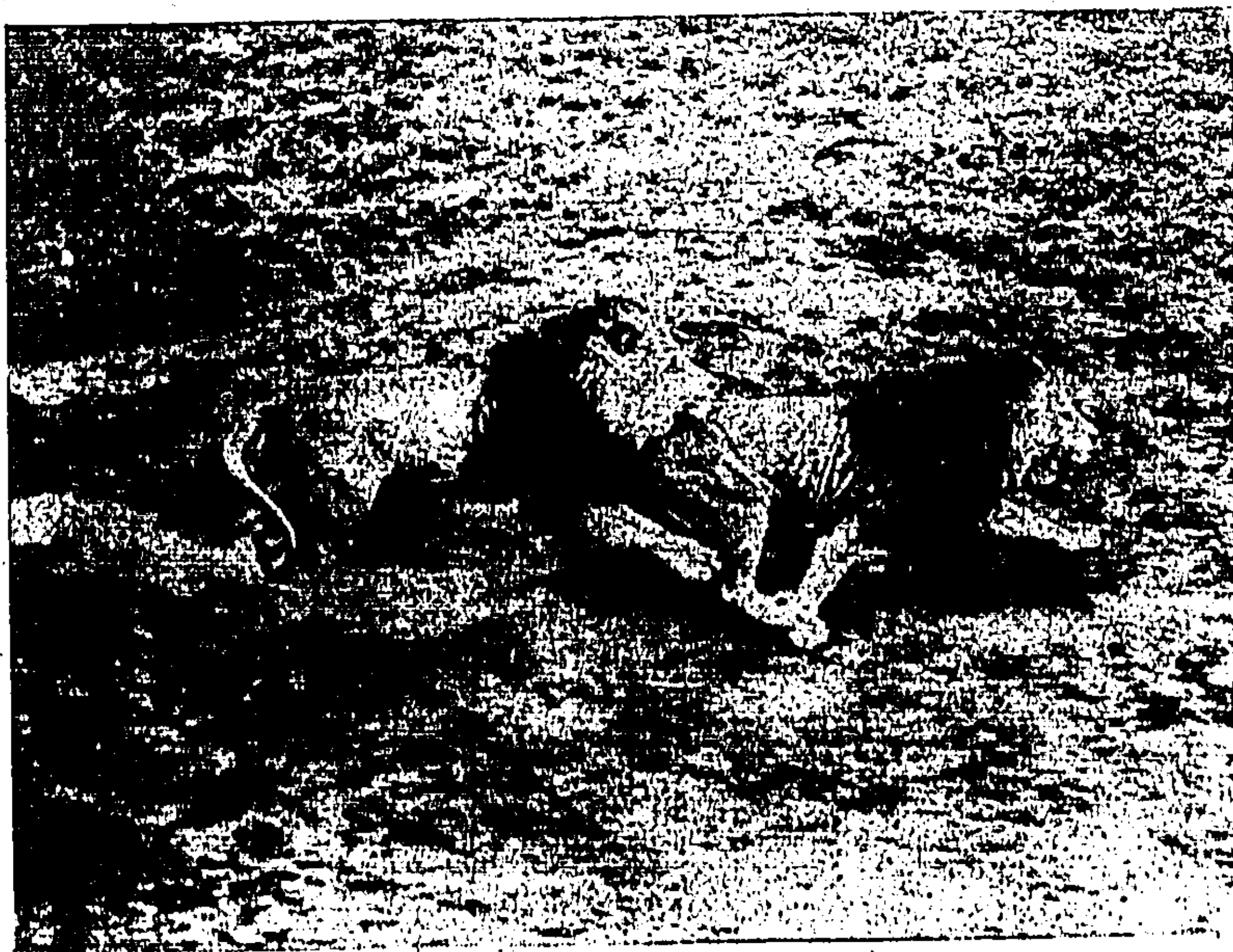
Los Angeles, To-day.

The film actress, Helen Vinson, has filed a divorce suit against the former British Davis Cup tennis star, Fred Perry, on the ground of mental cruelty.

The two were married in September, 1935, and at the end of the following year, Perry turned professional.

He is now touring the United States in a barnstorming tour with Ellsworth Vines.—Reuter.

Ng Mu-fun, residing at No. 2 Sau Wah Fong, reported that between 2 and 2.30 p.m. yesterday, while travelling in a tram between the eastern and central districts, he was robbed of \$378 in jewellery and money from his pocket.



ANSWERING THE CALL. It is not often that lions are seen in a sprint but in this instance the keeper at the Whipsnade Zoo had appeared at the top of the lion pit with food—hence the hurry.

Return Of Colonies Not Issue Of Practical Politics

Important Declaration By Malcolm MacDonald

Not Discussing Matter, Nor Considering It

London, To-day.

An important statement on colonies was made by the Dominions and Colonial Secretary, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, in the House of Commons yesterday.

Mr. MacDonald was replying to the debate on the Labour Opposition motion moved by Mr. Philip Noel-Baker, which says that no redistribution of colonial or mandated territory shall be made without the consent of the inhabitants, and as part of a general peace settlement, international agreements should be drawn up extending application of mandates to all colonies which do not receive self-government, providing equal economic opportunity for the nationals of all signatory powers and establishing as the primary purpose of colonial policy the welfare and progress of the native inhabitants.

Mr. MacDonald, in his reply, emphasised the uncertainty created in the colonies and mandated territories by the demands now being made in regard to them.

He said that the uncertainty must be removed.

"For that purpose I have only to state a simple fact. I don't believe that there is to-day any section in this country which is disposed to hand over to any other country the care of any territories or peoples for whose government we are responsible, either as a colonial or mandatory power. (Cheers).

"That view has been expressed by every part of the House and is shared by the Government.

NOT AN ISSUE

"We are not discussing this matter. We are not considering it. It is not now an issue in practical politics.

"If we were ever to come to discussion of this question, certain things would have to be borne in mind.

"Firstly, Britain is not the only country concerned. She is not the only country which assumed additional territorial responsibilities after the War, and other countries would also be involved and the question would have to be examined by all countries together."

Mr. MacDonald emphasised that we had responsibilities in regard to peoples living in the mandated territories.

We could not regard them as mere goods and chattels, to be disposed of to others. We must pay attention to their wishes and to the wishes of the different sections of the population in those territories.

PEOPLE'S RIGHTS

Mr. MacDonald pointed out that as far as the British mandated areas were concerned, there is not only a large indigenous native population but in some places also Euro-

pean settlers who had put their wealth therein and had played a great part in development of the territories.

In some places there were important Indian communities.

"We must recognise the right of these peoples to express their opinions of a question all important to them, and we must attach full weight and force to these opinions.

"It would be impossible to even consider any alteration in the status of any of those territories without giving full regard to the spontaneous views of the inhabitants.

"Moreover, these people have certain treaty rights. They have certain material interests in the territories. Those rights and interests must be fully safeguarded and secured."

BRITISH UNANIMITY

Mr. MacDonald also emphasised it would be impossible for a government to do anything in regard to this matter without the House of Commons having the fullest possible opportunity of discussion.

Indeed, nothing effective could be done without the positive approval of Parliament, and as far as the House was concerned, an unanimous expression of view had been made from every section of the House in this debate. (Cheers).

He hoped the House was not going to assent to any such sweeping proposition as Mr. Noel Baker's motion.

TALKED OUT

Mr. MacDonald urged the House to reject the motion and to accept the amendment of Colonel C. E. Ponsonby (Conservative, Seven-oaks), that the "Primary purpose of colonial policy should be the welfare and progress of the inhabitants of the colonial territories, and no change in the status of the co-

lonies, protectorates and mandated territories could be considered which did not take into full account the interests and wishes of the inhabitants."

Mr. Noel-Baker's motion was defeated by 253 votes to 127, and the Conservative amendment was talked out.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

Mr. MacDonald, referring to the question of equal economic opportunity, pointed out that there is practically no restriction on access for anybody to our raw materials, but the Government was still ready to consider any proposals for more equal distribution of raw materials.

The ideal of equal economic opportunity had been almost completely attained in practice in the British Colonial Empire.

The fact that the Anglo-American Trade Treaty contained reductions in the preferences on about 200 Colonial empire items, indicated the Government's readiness to go as far as they could without prejudicing the colonies interests towards giving economic opportunities to different countries and different nationals inside the Colonial Empire.

WELFARE OF ALL

Alluding to Mr. Noel-Baker's resolution referring to the welfare of the native inhabitants, Mr. MacDonald asked why the natives exclusively.

He pointed out that there were other inhabitants, European, Indians, Arabs and others, and said that a more accurate statement would be that the primary purpose of colonial policy was the welfare of all inhabitants in colonial territories.

Our first duty was to native peoples.

EMPIRE FREEDOM

"We must foster their material wellbeing and see they get fair play economically. We must bring them the benefits of modern medical science so that they will enjoy always more abundant health."

Education of natives was of growing concern to British administrations and voluntary organisations in the Colonial Empire.

The great purpose of the British Empire was the gradual spread of freedom amongst all His Majesty's subjects all over the world.

The evolutionary process of the spread of freedom was proceeding all the time inside the Colonial Empire.

BEST ASSURANCE

In some countries, like Ceylon, the gaining of freedom had already gone very far. In others it was necessarily a much slower process, and it might take generations, even centuries, for some peoples in some parts of the Colonial Empire, to reach complete self-government, but it was a major part of our policy, even among the most backward peoples of Africa, to teach and encourage them always to be able to stand a little more on their own feet.

Our love of freedom was not only for ourselves but others inspired the policy right through the Colonial Empire, and he believed the best assurance those people could have that this spirit would continue to guide their affairs was that they should continue their association with the British Empire.—*Reuter.*

LIVELY U.S. INTEREST IN MACDONALD STATEMENT

Washington, To-day.

Lively interest has been aroused here by Mr. Malcolm MacDonald's reference in the House of Commons to colonies.

The "Washington Star" points out that return of the colonies on the West Coast of Africa would place the Reich within easy striking distance of South America.

The same observation has been made by many other newspapers recently.

SABOTAGE!

The "Star" condemns, as does the "New York Times," the alleged attempts by Nazi agents to sabotage the Pan-American Conference which opens at Lima, Peru, tomorrow (Friday).

For the second day in succession President Roosevelt yesterday discussed European problems with Mr. Sumner Welles, Assistant Secretary of State, and the United States Ambassadors to Germany, France and Italy.—*Reuter.*

GERMAN EMBASSY DINNER

Paris, To-day.

The official programme in connection with the visit to Paris of Herr von Ribbentrop, was concluded yesterday, when Count Welzeck, the German Ambassador, gave a dinner in his honour at the German Embassy.

Among those present were M. Daladier and five members of his Cabinet, Chaumets, Bonnet, Sarraut, Reynaud, de Monzie and Pomaret. Also present was M. Herriot, President of the Chamber, M. Mistler, Chairman of the Comité France Allemagne, the invalid war veteran, M. Scapini, and the French Ambassador to Germany, M. Soulondre.

Fourteen hundred persons attended the big reception in the rooms of the Embassy Building.—*Trans-Ocean.*

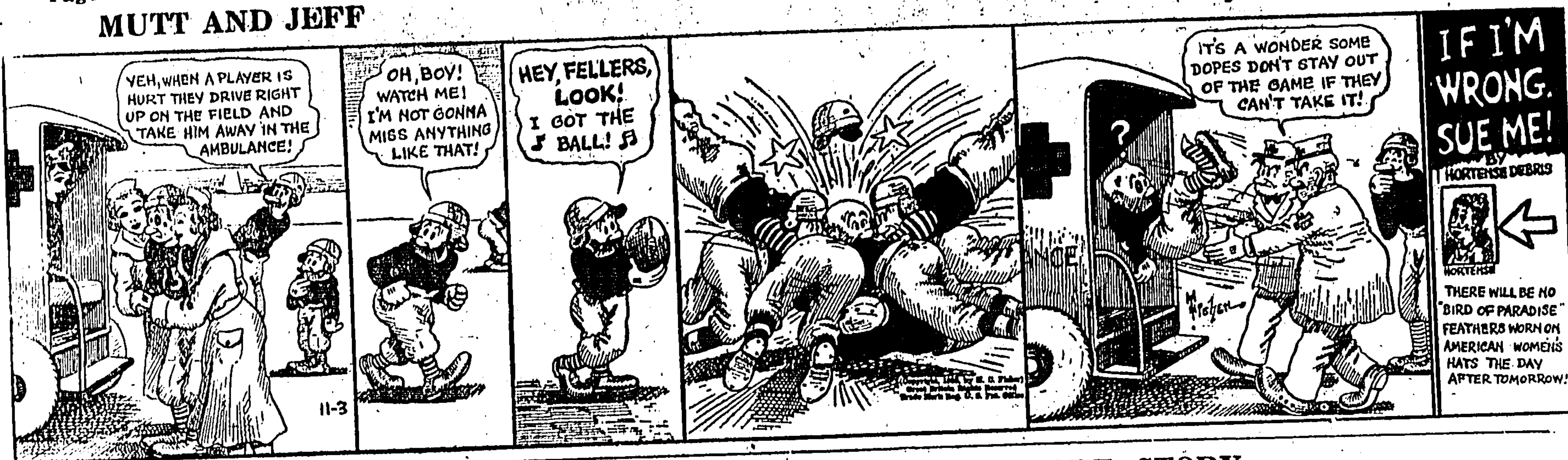
GRAND MUFTI DECISION

Jerusalem, To-day.

The "Adifaa," published in Jaffa, claims to be in a position to state that Dr. Tanneus, London representative of the Palestine Arabs had an interview with Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, on the question of participation in the London conference of the Grand Mufti of Jerusalem or one of his representatives.

Dr. Tanneus is said to be on his way to Beirut to communicate the result of this conversation to the Grand Mufti. According to the same source, the British Colonial Office is willing to agree to an Arab delegation of 20 representatives.—*Trans-Ocean.*

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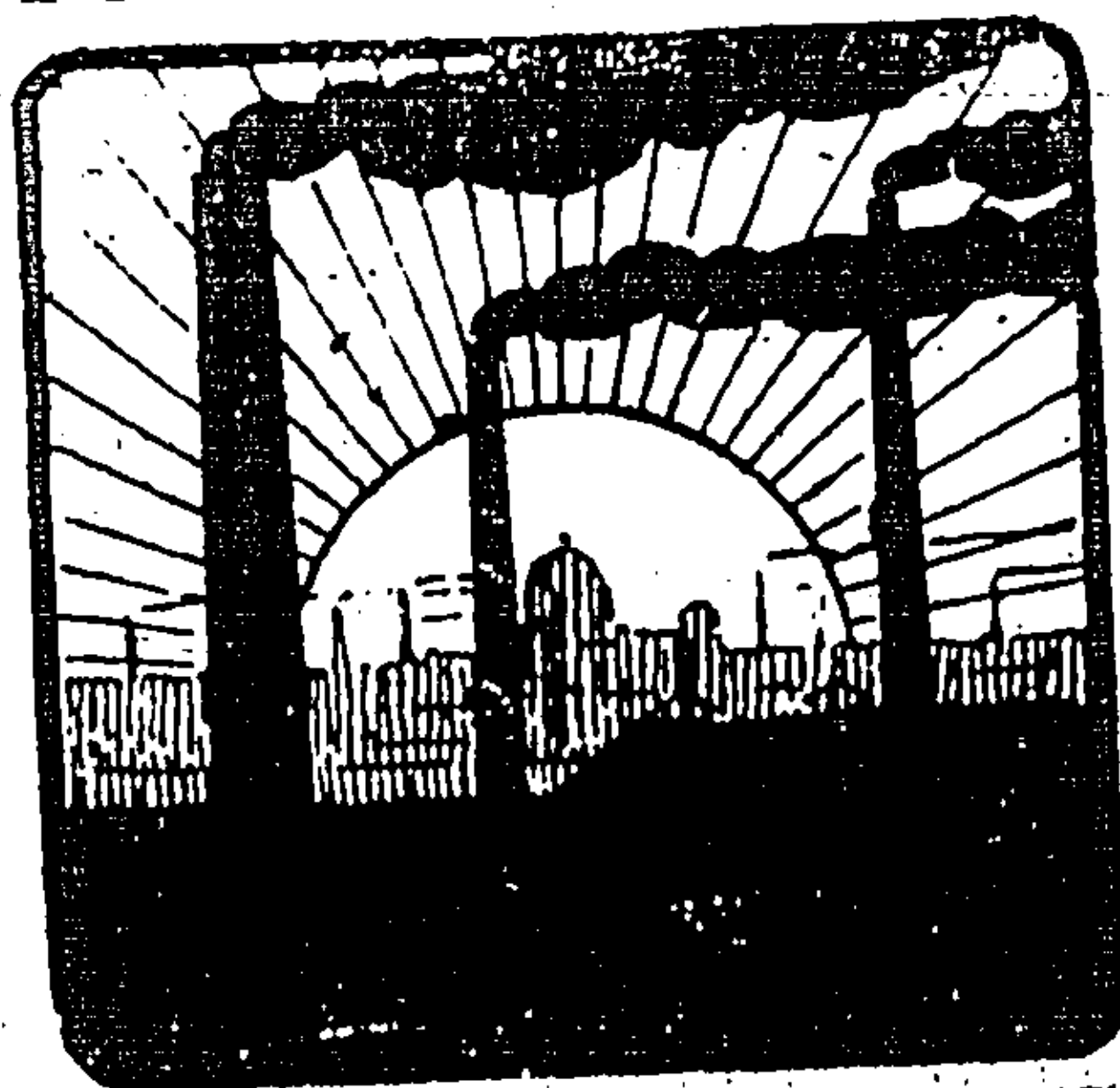
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TOO MANY LOVES

"I hardly know," said Peter Robinson wearily, "what to do. In fact, I'm in a quandary."
"Affairs of the heart, I'll wager," Dave Harlow suggested. "You are, I suppose, quite upset about various love affairs, and one thing and another. Just, who, if I may be bold enough to inquire, is the lucky maiden of the moment?"
"That," said Peter, with a grin, "is the trouble. There are two maidens. If there were but one my problem would not be worth the worry."
Dave Harlow smirked. "Two maidens! Two, no less! My word, and likewise my stars! Their names! May I have their names?"
"You may," said Peter. "The one is Marlene May Stearns; the other Roberta Darling. The first is quiet and domestically inclined, given to darning socks and hiding slippers where they cannot be found; though despite it all, she is loyal and trustworthy and dependable. The second is a frivolous creature, so to speak, a girl of vigor and vivaciousness, one demanding attention galore and requiring excitement aplenty to make her life complete; though in spite of it all a girl full of ambition and eager to see her husband succeed."
"Neither, I'm sure, would reject my red him and he spoke thus. "Roberta, all my life I've waited for such a girl as you. To me you are the most wonderful and beautiful thing alive. Darling, will you marry me?"
"Applesauce," said Roberta, plucking at a spear of grass, "and more to the point, banana oil. Marriage is the bunk. I'm perfectly happy and contented as things stand at the present sitting, and not at all afraid of dying an old maid."
Peter stared at her aghast. Words stuck in his throat.
"I beg your pardon," he finally managed to say. "Did I understand you to say that you weren't interested in my proposition?"
"That's it exactly, old sweet. You're a good kid to play around with, but for a husband, nix! You're too conceited and horribly good looking. I'd have a time of it keeping other women away. Forget it, Pete, and let's go dance some place."
They drove home in utter silence. Peter's thoughts were somewhat sour-grapeish. He never did like Roberta, he told himself. After all, the girl for him was Marlene, kind, gentle Marlene, loyal, trustworthy and dependable.
Peter deposited his thwarted love at her gate and sped to the home of Mar-

By Meredith Scholl

offer of marriage. Yet I hesitate which to choose."
"Then," declared Dave without feeling, "why choose?"
"Because a showdown is in the offing. My divided attentions must cease. I must devote myself to one entirely."
"Humm," said Dave, his brow furrowed. He glanced up suddenly. "I'll tell you what," he said brightly, "despite your confidence that both these maidens are eager and anxious to bear the name of Robinson it might be possible that one or the other would like to consider what possibilities lay ahead. If this were so the one to whom you had not proposed would most certainly learn that you had proposed to the other. In which case you'd probably lose them both. Now then, suppose this afternoon you wait on Roberta, and when the opportunity occurs, pop the question!"
"At the same moment I will be in the company of Marlene May Stearns. I'll beat around the bush a bit, and hem or haw for the conventional length of time, at the end of which period I'll inform Miss Stearns that, due to unforeseen events, you were summoned out of town on business most important, but before making your hasty exit you beseeched me to speak of your love to the girl in question. In short, I'll pull a John Alden, thereby having her yes-no on tap in event of the refusal of Miss Darling."
"Splendid!" cried Peter with gusto. "Excellent and clever no end. We'll carry out your plan to the letter, and ere the sun descends behind yon hill, my matrimonial destiny will be established."
Peter had little difficulty in persuading Roberta Darling to motor with him that afternoon to the summit of Sugar mountain, where they could sit in the shade of a great homlock tree and gaze upon the vast sweeps of country below. The day was clear and sweet, with bright sunshine and gentle breezes. Peter felt romance stirring within his bosom as he gazed into the lively, blue eyes of the girl seated beside him. Emotion stir-

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Paris, To-day.

Extraordinary precautions were taken by the police yesterday when Joachim von Ribbentrop, the Nazi Foreign Minister, who came to Paris to sign the Franco-German no-war agreement, laid a wreath on the Grave of the Unknown Soldier.

No crowds had gathered as no announcement of the ceremony had appeared in the morning newspapers.

Everybody around the Arc de Triomphe, which was surrounded by Mobile Guards, was kept on the move.

Herr von Ribbentrop was accompanied by the French Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bonnet, the French Ambassador in Berlin, M. Coulondre and the German Ambassador, Count Welczeck.

The wreath bore a swastika ribbon, and after a pause of one minute before the Eternal Flame, the four diplomats signed the Golden Book.

A detachment of the Garde Republicaine was drawn up in front of the monument, and drums were rolled during the ceremony.—Reuter and Trans-Ocean.

AT THE GOETHE HOUSE

Paris, To-day.

After laying the wreath at the tomb of the Unknown Soldier, von Ribbentrop visited the Goethe House in Avenue Sena which serves the purpose of developing cultural relations between France and Germany.

The Minister was received by Baron Muenchhausen, who is in charge of the Goethe House, and who presented several distinguished French representatives of science and letters to the visitor.

The Minister then proceeded to the Deutsches Haus where he was welcomed on behalf of 40,000 German residents in France by the secretary of the Embassy, Dr. Ehrlich.

In a short speech, the Minister emphasised the importance of the Franco-German declaration.—Trans-Ocean.

VISIT TO LOUVRE

Paris, To-day.

Indicative of the atmosphere in which the Franco-German conversations took place, was the visit paid to the Louvre yesterday afternoon by Herr von Ribbentrop and M. Bonnet.

The French statesman played the role of cicerone to his German colleague who revealed himself as a connoisseur of Poussin and Watteau. Afterwards, the Ministers returned to the Hotel Crillon to wind up the conversations.

In the early afternoon, the ex-Premier, M. Flandin, called on the German Foreign Minister who was apparently eager to learn the views of M. Flandin, who is not a member of the Government.—Trans-Ocean.

London, To-day.

The deaths occurred yesterday of the shipowner, Charles Donaldson, and the sculptor, Frank Bowcher.—Reuter.

REFUGEES FROM REICH IN BRITAIN

London, To-day.

There are at present in the United Kingdom about 11,000 refugees, admitted from Germany and Austria since 1933, the Home Secretary stated in the House of Commons yesterday.

In addition, about 5,000 refugees had gone overseas after a stay in the United Kingdom.—Reuter.

LUNCHEON BY FRANCO-GERMAN COMMITTEE

Paris, To-day.

A luncheon was given yesterday in honour of the German Foreign Minister, Ribbentrop, by the Comité France-Allemagne.

The guests included the French Cabinet Ministers, Anatole de Monzie and Charles Pomaret, the German Ambassador to Paris, Count Welczeck, and the French Ambassador to Berlin, Robert Coulondre, and the leaders of the French Ex-Servicemen League, Henry Pichot and Jean Goy.

The President, M. Scapini, in his address of welcome, referred to the excellent work done by the Comité France-Allemagne and the Franco-German Society for the establishment of good relations between France and Germany.

Ribbentrop, in his reply, pointed out that the Comité France-Allemagne and the Franco-German Society, born out of the mutual estimation of frontline soldiers, had spread this spirit of respect among the younger generation, both in France and in Germany. Understanding between the French and German peoples means a considerable political attribute to good relations between the two States. Ribbentrop concluded by toasting the health of the President Lebrun.—Trans-Ocean.

change and the promotion of intellectual co-operation.

All were exhaustively discussed, and it is stated that no unsurmountable obstacles cropped up in connection with a discussion of the Spanish question.

Although no definite decisions were reached on any of the points, French and German political circles believe that agreements will be reached at an early moment.—Trans-Ocean.

IDZUMO BOUND SOUTH?

A Shanghai message states that the Japanese flagship "Idzumo" left early yesterday morning, and is believed to be on its way to South China.

Comprehensive "Tour de Horizon"

Paris, To-day.

No concrete agreements are contemplated as the result of the German Foreign Minister, von Ribbentrop's conversations with the French statesmen, according to well-informed quarters here, which point out that the object of the discussions was to ascertain as clearly as possible the standpoint taken by either country in all questions under consideration.

It is added that a comprehensive "tour de horizon" was undertaken, particular attention being paid to economic problems, increase of German exports to France, gradual "thawing" of frozen French credits in Germany, the development of German exports to the French colonies and reciprocally of exports from French colonies to Germany.

It is presumed that the prospect exists of the question of frozen credits receiving a solution which will satisfy the French creditor.

Political problems were likewise discussed and the French Government informed of the German point of view on the Spanish question.

Germany is said, in this connection, to expect a final victory of General Franco, even in the event of complete evacuation of the foreign volunteers on both sides. The Franco-Soviet pact and Tunis were also mentioned. Regarding Morocco, it is believed that von Ribbentrop called attention to the fact that under the terms of the Treaty of Versailles, German nationals living in that country were still subject to differential treatment which it would be equitable to abolish and that the French Government is disposed to accede in this matter.—Trans-Ocean.

THREE FINAL POINTS UNDER DISCUSSION

Paris, To-day.

In a last conference between the Reich Foreign Minister, von Ribbentrop, and M. Bonnet, three important points were discussed at length. They were:

- (1) The conclusion of a Franco-German economic agreement,
- (2) traffic matters, above all the conclusion of a travel agree-

ment between Germany and France,
(3) questions of cultural ex-

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BRITAIN AND THE FAR EAST

Those who believe that Britain needs less 'appeasement' and more standupness in its foreign policy if it is to meet the new challenges of the present world order, will derive some encouragement from Lord Plymouth's reply to the House of Lords' debate on Far East problems. The Under-Secretary gave warning to Japan that Britain and the United States are following a parallel attitude on Tokyo's "Monroe Doctrine in East Asia" pronouncements, and there was a broad hint that Japan would be well advised to reconsider. Lord Plymouth gave assurance that means of bringing pressure upon Japan had not been overlooked, and revealed that a number of proposals are under discussion for rendering assistance to China by way of export credits. All in all, the statement may be regarded as bringing Great Britain into line with the stiffening noticeable in Washington's approach to the same problems.

The one disturbing feature was the speech of Lord Barnby who committed himself to much the same cynical analysis of the Far East position which drew heavy protests upon the head of Mr. Chamberlain. The damage which can be done to British interests by the sentiments of the Lord Barnbys is emphasized in an article which Mr. Howard, former Editor of the "North China Daily News" recently contributed to "Great Britain and the Far East."

These are times when Mr. Howard's contentions will repay study. He argues, at the outset, that understanding between Great Britain and Japan may be more readily achieved in the light of the new developments in Europe, and goes on to say that it would be unfortunate, therefore, if certain efforts to further that understanding were allowed to raise false hopes and base themselves on false issues. Nowadays it is recognised that international co-operation can be effected between differing systems of government so long as each individual nation is prepared to forgo criticism of the other's predilection.

Champions of Japan in England he points out are apt to fasten the blame for Japan's unfriendly attitude on the Press, which is criticized for unfairness in discussing the Sino-Japanese conflict, for undue faith in exaggerated tales of Japanese excesses. Criticism even extends to allegations that British actions on the spot have been lacking in fact or consideration for Japanese susceptibilities. This line of thought unwisely flatters specious arguments which are assiduously employed by Japanese for the want of more solid material to justify the launching of an unprecedented aggression on the soil of a weaker neighbour. It quaintly enough finds currency among those who in the past have conspicuously neglected standards of international amity by maintaining a ceaseless flow of animosity in exposing the de-

her leaders in season and out of season.

Even now such critics dismiss Japan's undoubted lapses by resuscitating tales of Chinese corruption, evasion, and anti-foreignism. The moral, if the term can be used, is that the real international crime is an inability to defend oneself. Japan's feelings have to be considered because she has battleships, tanks, and a mighty army. China's can be ignored because she is physically helpless.

Japan cannot be expected to relish criticism of her political institutions. She cannot divest herself of responsibility for the policies which they evolve. Rightly or wrongly they have permitted a military clique to force its theories of "positive" action on a reluctant but eventually complaisant government by a progressively developed series of faits accomplis, ever since September, 1931. From Mukden to Tsitsihar to Harbin; from Manchuria to Manchukuo, from Manchukuo to Jehol, Inner Mongolia, North China; from North China to East Hopei, its autonomous regime and its orgy of smuggling in defiance of China's sovereignty and in detriment to China's revenues, the trail has lain.

Last year the Chinese Government called a halt to save its political existence. The choice was fateful. The odds were enormously against defenders of soil on which Japanese erosion had already worked such havoc. Ostensibly seeking economic co-operation from China, Japan, at the bidding of her militarists, has now shattered the market on which she depended.

Statement of the case thus does not imply criticism beyond what it intrinsically carries. It merely disproves absurdities which for Japan's present attitude would blame the abandonment of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance, the investigation (at Japan's express request) of the Manchurian issue by the Lytton Commission or the British Government's refusal to deny China the recognised facilities of commerce. Japanese public opinion is not aware that German and Italian munitions have bulked more largely in Chinese imports than British supplies, any more than it knows of the many apologies which the Government in Tokyo has had to make for military lapses involving friendly neutrals in China. That ignorance cannot be blinding the eyes of critics outside Japan.

How, then, can the process of restoring understanding between Japan and Great Britain be best approached? Surely it must be by taking the facts as they are, by standing firm on tradition and by dissociating action to safeguard British interests from any endorsement of Japanese policy.

Even now it is impossible to foresee the outcome of the military struggle. Some say it will mean a completely Japonified China; others, while recognizing the significance of Japanese gains, doubt that possibility. Japan and taking the cue from Munich might move to that termination of their struggle earlier than expected. British good offices for both sides might then be of real benefit to peace. They could not operate if, by departure from neutrality in giving countenance to Japanese interpretations of the conflict, the Chinese were made to feel that British principles had been betrayed by subservience to the big battalions, that British friendship for China had been sacrificed to a dubious sense of commercial advancement.

AFTER LORD PLYMOUTH COMES MR. BUTLER

CHINA QUESTIONS RAISED IN HOUSE OF COMMONS

London, To-day.

"The Government has called for a report on the statement issued by the British, French and American Chambers of Commerce at Shanghai," declared the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, in the House of Commons.

The statement, it will be recalled, complained that Japanese restrictions on foreign trade were no longer justified by military necessity.

Answering further questions, Mr. Butler declared that no communication from the British Chamber of Commerce at Shanghai relating to Japanese encroachment on British trade in China, had yet reached the Foreign Secretary.

Sir J. S. Wardlaw-Milne (Conservative, Kidderminster) asked whether attention had been drawn to the formal declaration of policy by the Japanese Government contending that the Nine-Power Treaty was obsolete, and made on Nov. 30.

Mr. Butler said the Foreign Secretary's reports did not indicate that any such formal declaration of policy had been made on the date in question.—Reuter.

London, To-day.

In a Commons answer on the Far East, Mr. R. A. Butler said the British Government continued to rely on the specific assurances of respect for the principle of equal opportunity given to the British Ambassador at Tokyo on more than one occasion by responsible members of the Japanese Government.—British Wireless.

STAN LAUREL SUING HAL ROACH STUDIOS

HOLLYWOOD, TO-DAY.

THE FILM COMEDIAN, STAN LAUREL, HAS FILED SUIT CLAIMING \$700,000 AGAINST THE HAL ROACH STUDIOS ALLEGING BREACH OF CONTRACT.

Laurel's dismissal by Hal Roach last August meant the break-up of the Laurel and Hardy team.

Laurel alleges that the dismissal made it difficult for him to obtain other work in the films.—Reuter.

WOMAN ELECTROCUTED FOR MURDER

COLUMBUS (OHIO), TO-DAY.

ONLY A FEW HOURS BEFORE SHE WAS DUE TO GO TO THE ELECTRIC CHAIR, LAWYERS MADE A FINAL ATTEMPT TO SAVE THE LIFE OF THE 31-YEAR-OLD GERMAN WOMAN, MRS. ANNA HAHN, CONVICTED OF MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE.

Their efforts were unsuccessful and Mrs. Hahn was electrocuted.

As a last legal step counsel sought a writ of mandamus in the Federal Court, contending that she had not been given a proper opportunity to defend herself.

The writ, however, was refused at the last moment.

Mrs. Hahn was in a pitiable state all day, and her condition was so critical that a doctor had to be summoned to administer spirits of ammonia and black coffee.

She was found guilty thirteen months ago of the murder of Jacob Wagner, retired gardener.

SHOCKING SCENE

Mrs. Hahn went to the chair wearing blue pyjamas, and mumbled appeals as she stumbled towards the door of the execution chamber.

She then collapsed and was picked up by guards who carried her to the chair.

As the guards fixed the straps she shouted to the warden "Don't do it. Think of my boy," and then pleadingly stretched her arms towards the witnesses, crying, "Will nobody help me?"—Reuter.

FORTIFICATION OF DURBAN

Durban, To-day.

Coastal defence on the Bight of Durban in South Africa is to be very considerably strengthened. In particular heavy guns are to be set up around the Bight.

For laying out and equipment of a new aerodrome two river beds will have to be canalised and a third river diverted.—Trans-Ocean.



DUKE MEETS ROYAL VISITOR. Prince Paul, Senior Regent of Yugo-Slavia, and his wife Princess Olga, a sister of the Duchess of Kent, visited London recently. Photo shows the Duke and Duchess of Kent (on left) with their Royal visitors at Victoria.

YANGTSE TOWNS BURNED AND DESERTED

Shanghai, To-day.

A message received from the United States gunboat "Luzon" states that the gunboat is now between Wuhu and Nanking, and that the trip so far has been without incident.

The "Luzon" is coming downriver accompanied by the French gunboat "Admiral Charner" and escorted by three Japanese torpedo-boats.

It has seven American civilians aboard, while the French gunboat carries three Frenchmen.

Nearly all towns and villages passed on the way are deserted and burnt, while all foreigners in the cities passed are all right.

The United States gunboat "Monocacy" is still waiting at Kiukiang for foreigners from Kuling, whose evacuation is apparently somewhat delayed.

So far ten British and eight Americans have stated their willingness to evacuate, but it is expected that actually more will come.

An additional message received from the gunboat "Luzon" states that the "Monocacy" is expected to come downriver together with four British ships. These four British ships must be partly merchant vessels, because the British do not have four warships upriver.

This is particularly interesting in view of the Japanese attitude to disallow any foreign merchantships to proceed on the Yangtze.—Trans-Ocean.

BRITISH NAVAL AND MILITARY FORCES IN CHINA

London, To-day.

Particulars of British naval and military forces in North China were given by the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, at question time in the House of Commons yesterday.

Mr. Butler said that the military strength on November 1 was 37 officers and 855 other ranks.

Foreign garrisons in North China then were the United States (555), French (1,529) and the Italians (342). Figures of Japanese strength were unavailable.

The figures included the garrisons at Peiping and Tientsin and certain small detachments in the vicinity of these cities.

NAVAL DISPOSITIONS

Disposition of the naval forces was at the discretion of the Commander-in-Chief, and allocation between North China and other parts of the China Station varied considerably throughout the year.

On December 5, British warships on the North China station were one escort vessel at Taku and Tsingtao, and one cruiser at Weihaiwei.

At present there were no foreign warships in Chinese waters north of the Yangtse except for a number of Japanese cruisers and destroyers.—Reuter.

JAPANESE LOSSES AT SHANGHAI

Shanghai, To-day.

A war memorial dedicated to the 20,000 Japanese officers and men who lost their lives during the hostilities last year in and around Shanghai "will be unveiled to-day at Tazang, where some of the main fighting took place and where the

break through of the Japanese forces occurred which turned the tide in favour of the Japanese.

Colonel Prince Tsunenori Kaya, who is serving with the Japanese forces in Central China, will lead the Japanese army, naval and civilian officials who will attend the ceremony.—Trans-Ocean.

REFUGEE APPEAL

Soap, towels and tooth brushes in large quantities are urgently required by the Emergency Refugee Council to supply the 16,000 refugees in the Camps. Donors are requested to send to St. John's Cathedral Hall, Hong Kong or the European Y.M.C.A. Salisbury Road, Kowloon.

PASCO BANKRUPTCY PETITION REJECTED

Two Creditors Oppose Grant Of Receiving Order

Allegations Of Concealment Of Liabilities

Boris Pasco, of the Harris Book Store, Gloucester Arcade, had his petition for a receiving order rejected by the Acting Chief Justice, Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell, at the Bankruptcy Sessions this morning, following opposition to the petition by Mr. H. Hong Sling, represented by Mr. E. S. C. Brooks, and Mr. L. A. Tobias, represented by Mr. A. el Arculli.

In the witness box this morning, Mr. Pasco stated that his liabilities were \$17,299.60 and his only asset was his salary, which was \$200 per month.

Petitioner was formerly owner of Brewer and Co. and the liabilities of this business were included in the bankruptcy. He was a partner in the firm in 1920. Later he bought the business from Mr. Instone Brewer for \$20,000, of which \$6,000 was still due to the seller. When petitioner bought the business, he assumed the liabilities of the partnership.

In 1927, petitioner was granted banking facilities by the Chase Bank. In 1931, he bought exchange to the extent of \$2,500 and when England went off the gold standard, he incurred a loss of \$15,000. His facilities were then called in by the Chase Bank. He attempted to sell out, but was advised by the bank not to do so. To meet the loss incurred, petitioner borrowed money and the Chase Bank was paid off.

IN DIFFICULTY

When in financial difficulty, petitioner applied for assistance from the local representative of Messrs. John Dickinson and Company, Limited, for £1,500. They gave him assistance on condition that the Brewer's Bookshop was incorporated as a limited concern.

The capital of the new company was \$40,000 of which petitioner possessed \$30,000 in shares issued in debentures. Petitioner was retained as manager of the concern at a salary of \$700 per month which was later reduced to \$500. In January, 1933, the salary was reduced further to \$225, and on December 31, 1934 petitioner was dismissed.

Mr. Forsyth was appointed Receiver by Messrs. John Dickinson and Co., Limited, and Brewer's Bookshop was sold on behalf of the debenture holders. Petitioner's debentures, worth \$35,000, were taken away by Mr. Forsyth and not a cent was received by him.

OWNED BY WIFE

Petitioner was unemployed for three months and later was engaged as manager of the Harris Bookshop Store, owned by petitioner's wife, Mrs. Catherine Pascoe.

His wife obtained the capital from her mother.

Questioned by Mr. Brooks, petitioner said that he bought Brewer's Bookshop from Mr. Instone Brewer for \$20,000, paid by instalments. In 1933, \$6,000 was still owing to the seller.

NO CASH

Mr. Brooks pointed out to Petitioner that according to the records

of the company was incorporated on May 18, 1933. On that same day, debentures for £1,500 were issued.

Petitioner, in reply, confirmed that he received no cash from Dickinson and Company. Petitioner, Mr. Merry and Mr. Tobias were the three directors of the firm.

Petitioner said he had his own reasons for not disclosing other liabilities and admitted that the statement he presented to John Dickinson and Company was inaccurate.

Mr. Brooks: "You informed Mr. Tobias, after the discovery of the false statement, that if you had mentioned the liabilities the company would not have been formed?"

"I did not."
"Then if Mr. Tobias went into the witness-box and says you did, he would not be telling the truth?"

DEBTS NOT REVEALED

Petitioner admitted that among debts not revealed were \$2,000 due to Mr. H. R. Leighton, and \$4,000 due to Mr. Pollard, and that a few days after the company was formed, more debts to the extent of \$7,000 were discovered.

Mr. Brooks: "On July 31, 1933, you approached Mr. Hong Sling for a loan?"

"No, I asked him to guarantee a loan for me."
Petitioner explained that Mr. Hong Sling guaranteed a loan of \$2,000 for him repayable in three months. He told Mr. Hong Sling that he could repay the loan in three months as he had large outstanding accounts amounting to over \$2,000, besides the stock which was worth over \$30,000.

Mr. Brooks: "I put it to you that you told Mr. Hong Sling that you were the sole proprietor of the business?"

"Well, I was."
Petitioner was reminded that the company was incorporated in May and that the loan was contracted in July.

FURTHER ALLEGATIONS

Mr. Brooks: "It came to the knowledge of Mr. Hong Sling that you were not the sole proprietor of the firm, and you told him that you would get the balance of the value of the business in cash?"

"I did not."
Petitioner admitted that he knew Mr. N. Morganstern. Petitioner worked for him when he was manager of the United Artists Film Company for a salary of \$20 per month, writing his letters for him.

Mr. Brooks alleged that during the period where he was partly employed in Mr. Morganstern's office, petitioner stored books there. Petitioner replied that the only books were those belonging to the occupier of the office.

Mr. Brooks: "I put it to you that you took books from the bookshop and stored them there?"

"It is untrue."
"And with those books you started the Harris Book Store in 1935?"

"The Harris Book Store was started by my wife."
"Where did your wife get the stock from?"

"From London for \$50."

"Where did she get the money from?"

"From her mother."

"Is her mother in Hong Kong?"

"No."

"Have you any books showing the purchase?"

"My wife has the books."

"Are they here?"

"No, my wife is not on trial here."

Petitioner said that he did not own a car.

Mr. Brooks: "I am prepared to go in the witness-box and say that I saw you driving a car!"

Mr. Remedios intervened and explained that the car belonged to petitioner's wife.

"CONVENIENT"

Mr. Brooks: "The business and the car in your wife's name makes it very convenient for you in the event of creditors pressing, does it not?"

"I suppose so."

Petitioner told Mr. Brooks that he sometimes went to the Parisian Cafe for tiffin, but he did not pay \$1.50. He did not pay at all as the tiffins were in exchange for books loaned to the proprietor of the restaurant.

Mr. Brooks: "You go to the show quite often?"

"Sometimes."

"You sit in the \$1.50 seats?"

"I do not."

"Mr. Hong Sling is prepared to swear that he saw you sitting in the \$1.50 seats at a 2.30 p.m. show in Row E."

"I had complimentary tickets."

Petitioner denied that he recently loaned \$500 to Mrs. Buckborough.

"CAR TRANSACTION"

Questioned by Mr. Arculli, petitioner admitted that he once owned a car (an Austin Seven) and said it had been sold. He denied that he traded it in for the car now owned by his wife.

He said he included the cost of the Hong Kong Tramway action in his liabilities.

He admitted that Mr. Tobias guaranteed his debt to the Local Printing Press for about \$2,300.

This sum was not paid and judgments was obtained against himself and the guarantor.

Mr. Tobias agreed to accept instalments of \$20 per month from petitioner, but since September, 1936, he had been unable to pay.

Asked by the Acting Chief Justice, petitioner admitted that he concealed the true state of affairs from Messrs. John Dickinson and Company, Limited, to put through the deal which would not have been successful otherwise.

"PERSONAL LIABILITIES"

Re-examined by Mr. Remedios, petitioner explained that the liabilities which were not revealed he intended to take over personally.

Quoting section 10 of the Bank-

GERMAN COMMENT ON PARIS PACT

Berlin, To-day.

"The Franco-German declaration relieves all nations—not only the two nations directly concerned—of an anxiety, the weight of which can be accurately measured by a study of history" writes the semi-official "Deutsche Diplomatisch-Politische

Korrespondenz," which reflects the views of the German Foreign Office.

After stressing the dangers of the system of collective security advocated by former French Governments, the "Korrespondenz" writes that it was fortunate that the Nationalist leaders should have been able to intervene in time to tackle the Franco-German problem in a manner dissipating deeply-rooted French suspicions whilst simultaneously revivifying and consolidating the entire German national organism.

After solution of the Saar question, no further problem of a territorial nature existed between the two countries so far as Germany was concerned.

The Franco-German declaration, says the "Korrespondenz," has definitely put an end to territorial demands on either side and has thus relieved anxiety in the whole world since other countries ran the risk of being involved in a conflict between Germany and France. — Trans-Ocean.

PRINCE PAUL SEES M. BONNET

Paris, To-day.

The Regent, Prince Paul of Yugoslavia, who arrived in the French capital last evening from London had a lengthy conversation with M. Bonnet, in the Yugoslav Legation. Earlier in the day, Prince Paul lunched with President Lebrun.—Trans-Ocean.

ruptcy Ordinance, on which he opposed the petition, Mr. Brooks alleged that for past five years, petitioner had been "living on his creditors."

Mr. Hong Sling, in the witness box, confirmed that he guaranteed a loan of \$2,000 for petitioner. Witness was not aware until afterwards that petitioner was not the sole proprietor of the firm.

Submitting that there was sufficient cause to justify rejection of the receiving order, Mr. Brooks contended that petitioner had committed a criminal act, obtaining money by false pretences.

On behalf of his client, Mr. Remedios urged that the receiving order should be made. Petitioner had revealed the liabilities for which the firm was to be responsible. The other liabilities he intended to take over himself.

Mr. Justice Lindsell refused to make the order.

News Snack Bar

Just to Think That

ONCE SHE WASHED DISHES



From washing dirty dishes at 10s. 6d. a week, pretty Helvi Rintala, whom you see in this picture, is to-day London's No. 1 stage beauty and the envy of every maid-servant.

Helvi, bored little rich girl of twenty-two, ran away from

her home in Finland five years ago. She wanted to see the world and be independent.

With capital of only 5s. she hitch-hiked and worked her way to England. Here she obtained a job as a kitchen-maid, and it was through her singing in accompaniment to the clink of dirty dishes that Helvi's big chance came along.

A well-known stage director, guest at her mistress's house, heard her voice. In the West End basement scullery where she worked he signed her up for a £10 a week job.

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HAS NEVER SEEN HER

FIANCE

Queenie Elcock, of King's Heath, Birmingham, is engaged to a man she has not yet seen. When the Lord Mayor of Birmingham appealed for girls to correspond with three lonely soldiers on the North-West frontier, Miss Elcock volunteered. She got a reply — but not from the soldier to whom she had first written. Her letter had been passed on to Lance-Corporal Austin Kittrick, aged twenty-four, with the 2nd Prince of Wales Volunteers. Later Kittrick in one of his weekly letters asked her to be his wife. Miss Elcock accepted — and now he goes home in February for eight weeks' leave.

TREASURE TROVE

The Civil Service Arbitration Tribunal was told recently that in 1937 Post Office sorters found £1,538 in bank notes and cash among loose articles and in letters and packets posted without addresses.

Sir Harold Morris, K.C. (chairman): Is that treasure trove for the Government?

Mr. G. H. Taylor, chairman of the Guild of Postal Sorters: No, it was sent back to the address inside the packet.

MILE-A-MINUTE NAVY NEARER

Britain's dream of a "mile-a-minute Navy" has been brought a step nearer with the launch of a new torpedo boat.

It came from the Secret Shop of the Power Boat Company for its first sea trials, and the speed it reached was a great tribute to Scott Paine and his co-designers.

The new torpedo-boat is the nearest thing to a fish in appearance, yet built by man—absolute streamlining everywhere. No masts, funnels or superstructure: even the handrails have been merged into the hull.

More like a submarine than a surface craft, it presents the smallest target silhouette of any warship ever built.

Speed and armament are still secret. Acceleration was terrific, and it handled more rapidly than a plane in the air, so that it looked almost an impossible target.

Scott Paine has been chiefly responsible for Britain's first flying-boat and the world's first sea-motor-boat to do 100 m.p.h. His sea-mile record of 110 m.p.h. has not yet been beaten—after four years.

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HALF-MILLION CHOCOLATE

WILL

Mr. Albert Magnus Fry, of Clifton, Bristol, for forty years director of J. S. Fry and Sons, Ltd., the chocolate manufacturers, who died last September, left £591,577. He gave £8,000 to Bristol charities.

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TOY SHOP THRILLS

PRINCESSES

The toy "flower shop" presented to Princess Margaret Rose by the City of Paris is proving one of the favourite playthings of the two Princesses.

The Queen says of the gift, made at the time of their Majesties' visit to Paris:

"This charming present was shown to the Princess on her return from Scotland, and every afternoon since the toy shop has been for both her and Princess Elizabeth a constant source of pleasure and amusement."

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BOOTS — FROM CANNON'S

MOUTH

An old German gun in Ammanford, near Cardiff, relic of the Great War, is to be sold as scrap to benefit the towns poor. The Rev. Tegson Davies suggested to the council that "its brass be converted into boots, its bolts into blankets."

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BIRDS "RESIEGE" LINER

AT SEA

Two thousand birds, mostly canaries, took refuge in the liner Santa Rosa during a heavy gale off the West Indies. They flew into staterooms, dining rooms and beauty parlour. When the storm subsided they flew back ashore — after "traveling" 200 miles.

U.S. ARMY MAY GET A.A. TANKS

Anti-aircraft tanks capable of 114 m.p.h. on concrete roads "to keep pace with aircraft" are being offered to the United States Army.

One of this type, which is nearly a ton lighter than the present U.S. Army tank, is being demonstrated to the War Department at Washington. It is equipped with three machine-guns and an automatic anti-aircraft gun capable of firing 120 37-mm. high explosive shells a minute.

MOSCOW RAIL CHIEF

"Engine driver of the First Class," Zinaida Troitskaya, one of the best engine-drivers in Russia, has been made chief of the Moscow Ring Railway. Aged twenty-five, she was recently awarded the Order of Lenin for exceptional knowledge of railway engineering.

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RAIL LURE TO CAR-OWNERS

Free car parking to stimulate rail travel is a Southern Railway Company experiment to be tried out for a month at Woking (Surrey). Travellers who live some distance from the station will not lose the usual car parking fee of 1s. a day (season ticket 2s. 6d. a week). The car park ticket will be accepted at the booking office and will count as cash.

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PENSIONS GO ON

"I have at the moment—twenty years after the Great War — still on the books of my Ministry 420,000 pensioners, besides about 500,000 dependants", said Minister of Pensions Ramsbotham at the British Legion's Surrey Conference. "I am still paying out in pensions about £39,000,000 a year, and the total expenditure on war pensions from 1914 to March 31, 1938, amounts of £1,275,000,000."

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HER NINTH "PETER PAN"

Jean Forbes-Robertson is to play the same part in "Peter Pan" at the London Palladium this Christmas for the ninth time. By so doing she will break the record of Pauline Chase, who played Peter eight times.



Wally Pack, the famous boxer who has just turned pro, has a huge following in Hoxton. His crowd of hero-worshippers includes dozens of small boys, whom he is teaching to box at a penny per head per week. The proceeds of Pack's teaching go to the funds of the junior section of "The Lion" amateur boxing club. Would-be boxing champs line up with their pennies at Hoxton.

PRESENTED FROM COURT

Domestic bliss — via London courts:—

Husband at Tottenham: My wife and I were quite happy together until I tried to teach her to drive.

Woman (same court): My husband is always unpleasant to me . . . especially when he is in a good temper.

Wife: He said, "While you are waiting for daughter I will put you on a record." . . . He wound up the gramophone for five minutes then threw the record at me.

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KING OF HUNGARY?

A report from Budapest in a Warsaw paper says that Hungary is preparing to restore the monarchy. The Hungarian regent, Admiral Horthy, would be the first ruler of a new dynasty, taking the title of Nicholas the First. Admiral Horthy, who would be crowned with the traditional Crown of St. Stephen, is said to have renounced his Protestant faith two months ago.

OFFICIAL AT HIS OWN WEDDING

A man who was married in Bath not only did not have to leave the house he lived in, but acted as an official at his own wedding. Before his ceremony, he arranged the room, placed bowls automatic anti-aircraft gun can-table. When the guests arrived he showed them to their seats.

He was ex-Lancer Cyril Sharpe, thirty-year-old official of Bath register office, who lives on the premises above the wedding room. He has attended 2,000 other weddings, and he was married (by his own chief) to Miss Brenda Viola Jones, a nursing sister.

His dilemma was: Could he tip himself? One could hardly imagine him saying: "Thank you, sir—I hope you and Mrs. Sharpe will be very, very happy."

"You've
got to
be fussy
over
horses..."



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JAPAN'S PLAN TO S America's Choice: "War Or Surrender"

Japan's announced intention to denounce the Nine-
Power pact will undoubtedly lead that country
into further sharp diplomatic conflict with the
United States, it was indicated in New York
by unofficial reaction to Japan's latest declar-
ations of policy.

According to general opinion, Japan's obvious in-
tention is to consign the Nine-Power treaty to
the same scrap heap of history upon which Ger-
man Chancellor Adolf Hitler has thrown the
Treaty of Versailles.

The question now posed with increasing acuteness
is: will this lead to a Far Eastern Munich pact?
If not, where will it lead?

Proceeding from the premise that
Japan was not likely to accede to the
demands made in the United States'
Note of October 6, for the preserva-
tion of the Open Door policy in
China, the Wall Street Journal for-
mulated the problem as follows:

WHAT IS U.S. NEXT MOVE?

"What is to be our next move?
Is it to be retaliation in kind? Is
it to be something more nearly ap-
proaching a resort to armed force,
or is it to be something which will
be in effect an acceptance by us of
the conditions of which we have
complained, with as much face-
saving as we can manage? It has
to be one or the other of these.

"Retaliation in kind is not war
in the full sense of that word, but
it is a step which may lead to
war, especially in these days. If
we take that step we must be
prepared to take the next one.

"Much as we may—and do—re-
gret it, the fact is that the actual
situation we confront in China to-
day is wholly different from that on
which we formulated the Open Door
principle a generation ago.

"What this newspaper is con-
cerned to urge is that in preparing
to meet it we carefully consider and
count the costs and the
consequences of the course that we
propose to take. For behind the
smoke and confusion that enwraps
the Far East there lurks the ulti-
mate question,—Are we ready to
fight for the open door to China?

MUST FACE ISSUE NOW

"Sooner or later it seems that we
must face that question. Prudence
dictates that we should face it now
and act accordingly."

The New York Herald-Tribune
viewed the evolution of Japanese
policy as marking the transforma-
tion of the Anti-Comintern Pact

into a veritable alliance linking
Japan to Germany and Italy. From
this the newspaper also drew the
conclusion as to alternatives: either
a Far Eastern Munich or a Far
Eastern war. Said the Tribune:

"The introduction of the Fascist
spirit and influence into Pacific re-
lations would soon force upon every
power with established interests in
Eastern Asia, from Siberia to the
Dutch East Indies, a choice between
the alternate courses of either back-
ing out of the picture in the face of
a parade of force or of making a
counterparade of force at the risk
of starting the World War in East-
ern Asia instead of in Western
Europe."

"A CHALLENGE TO EVERY STATE"

The "Herald-Tribune" called
Japan's new policies "a challenge
to every law-abiding state with
material or cultural investments in
the Pacific to define its attitude
toward a declaration which, with
so much misinterpretation of facts,
makes a virtue of outlawry.

"Silence will be accepted as a com-
placent recognition of the righte-
ousness of Japan's ambition in Asia,
and complacent acceptance of high-
handedness is always construed as
evidence of fear among Asiatics. A
soft answer to this challenge will,
therefore, be no contribution to
world peace."

"How far can the world ac-
quiesce? asked the New York Times.

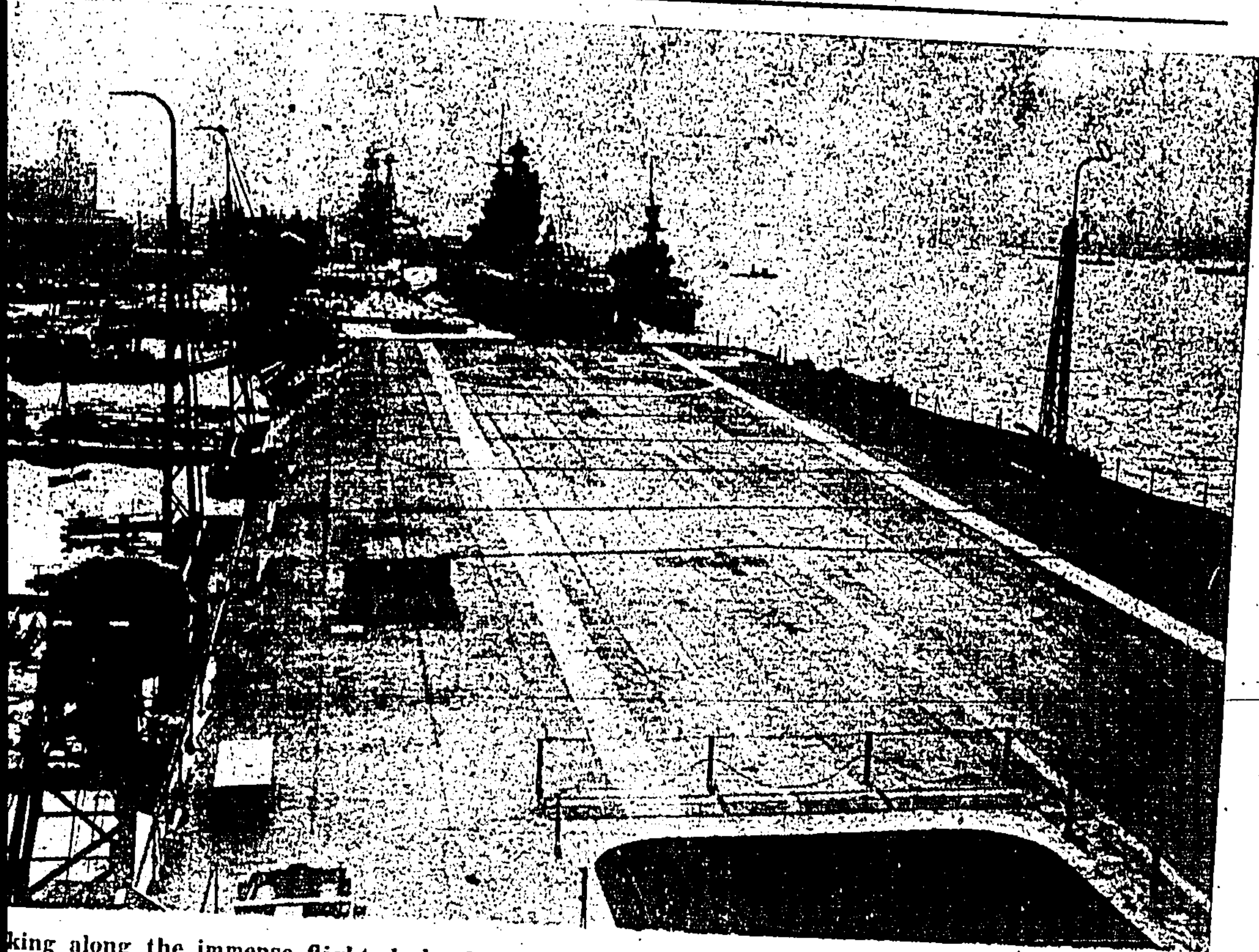
"The Japanese Government's
statement is not only a brusque
answer to the American demand for
the maintenance of the Open Door.
It is a repudiation of the fundamen-
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reiterated at the National Foreign
Trade Convention by Mr. Hull and
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Bringing Up Father



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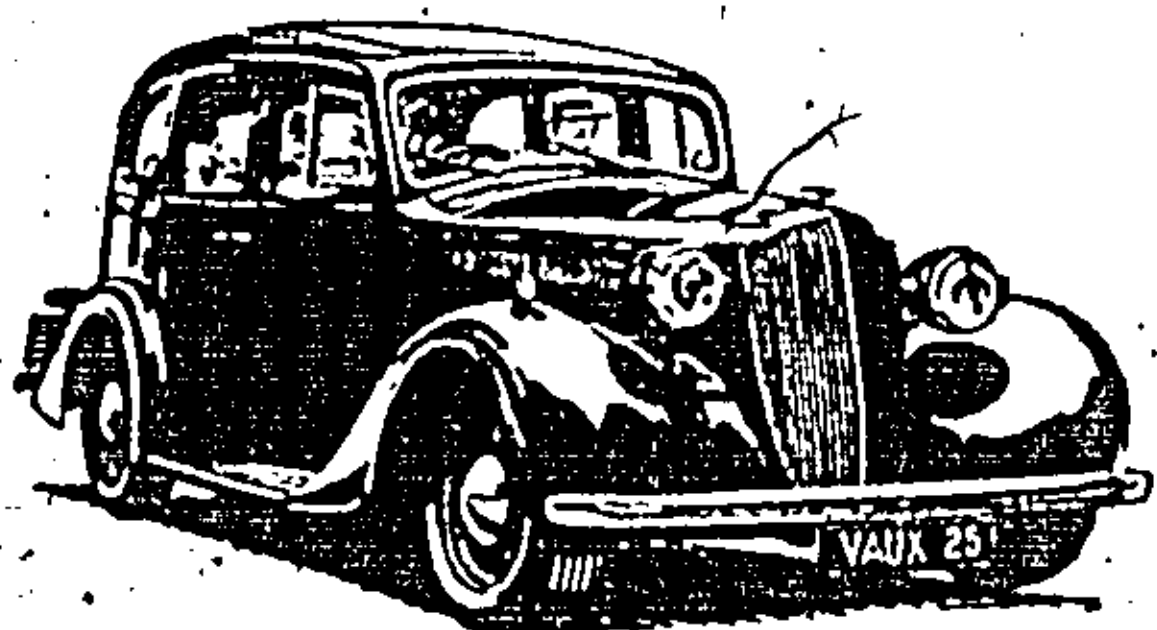


Working along the immense flight deck of the "Ark Royal," Britain's latest aircraft-carrier, at Portsmouth. In picture (foreground) is H.M.S. Rodney, behind which is H.M.S. Royal Oak. (Picture passed privately. Copyright).

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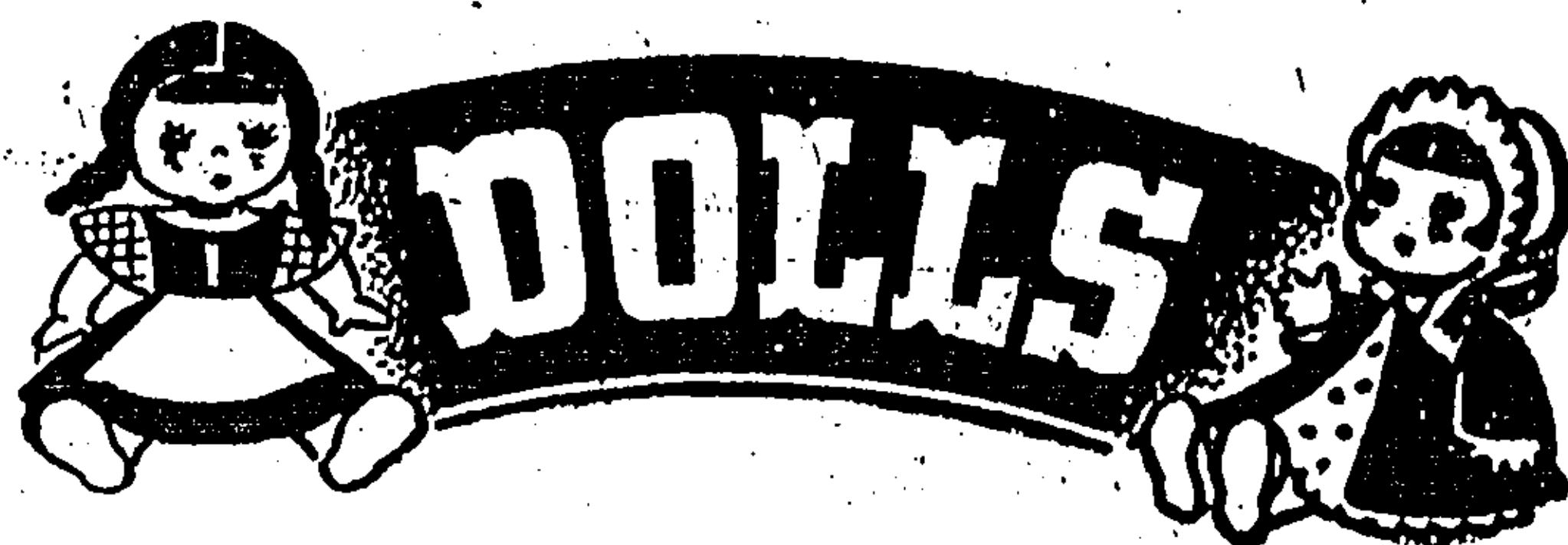


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more eloquent than
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ments to the Press is the
gigantic programme upon which
the Administration has now
embarked. President Roosevelt has
indicated a probable expenditure of
more than \$1,000,000,000 next year
for the Army, Navy and Air Force.
He has intimated that the U. S. air
fleet may be raised to 10,000 air-
planes.

Under his direction, a tremendous
flow of millions has begun to pour
into industry to gear it to wartime
needs. First of these projects was
the announcement of a programme to
spend \$500,000,000 to construct
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"BELIEVE IT OR NOT" by Robert L. Ripley



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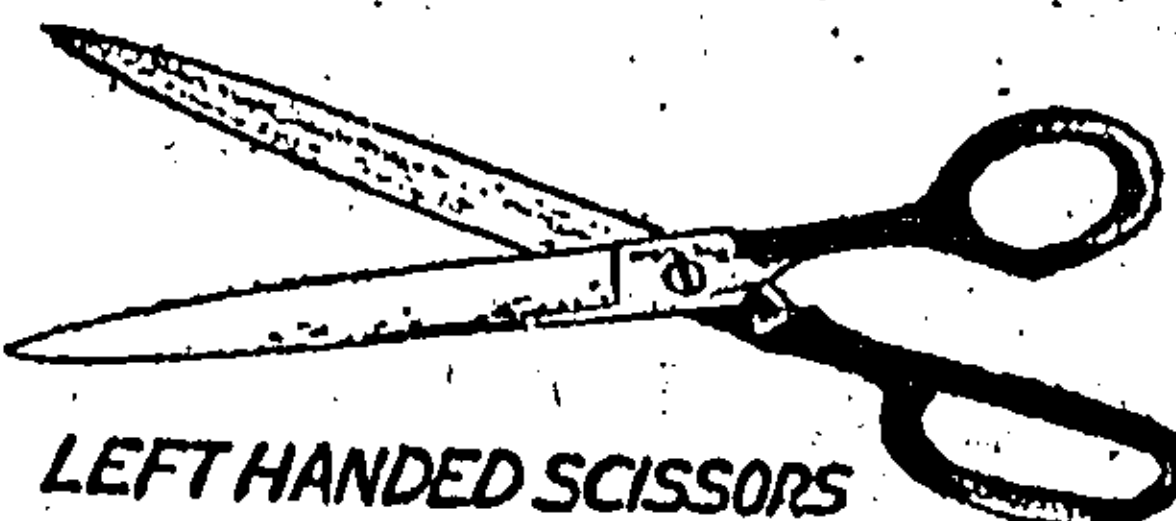
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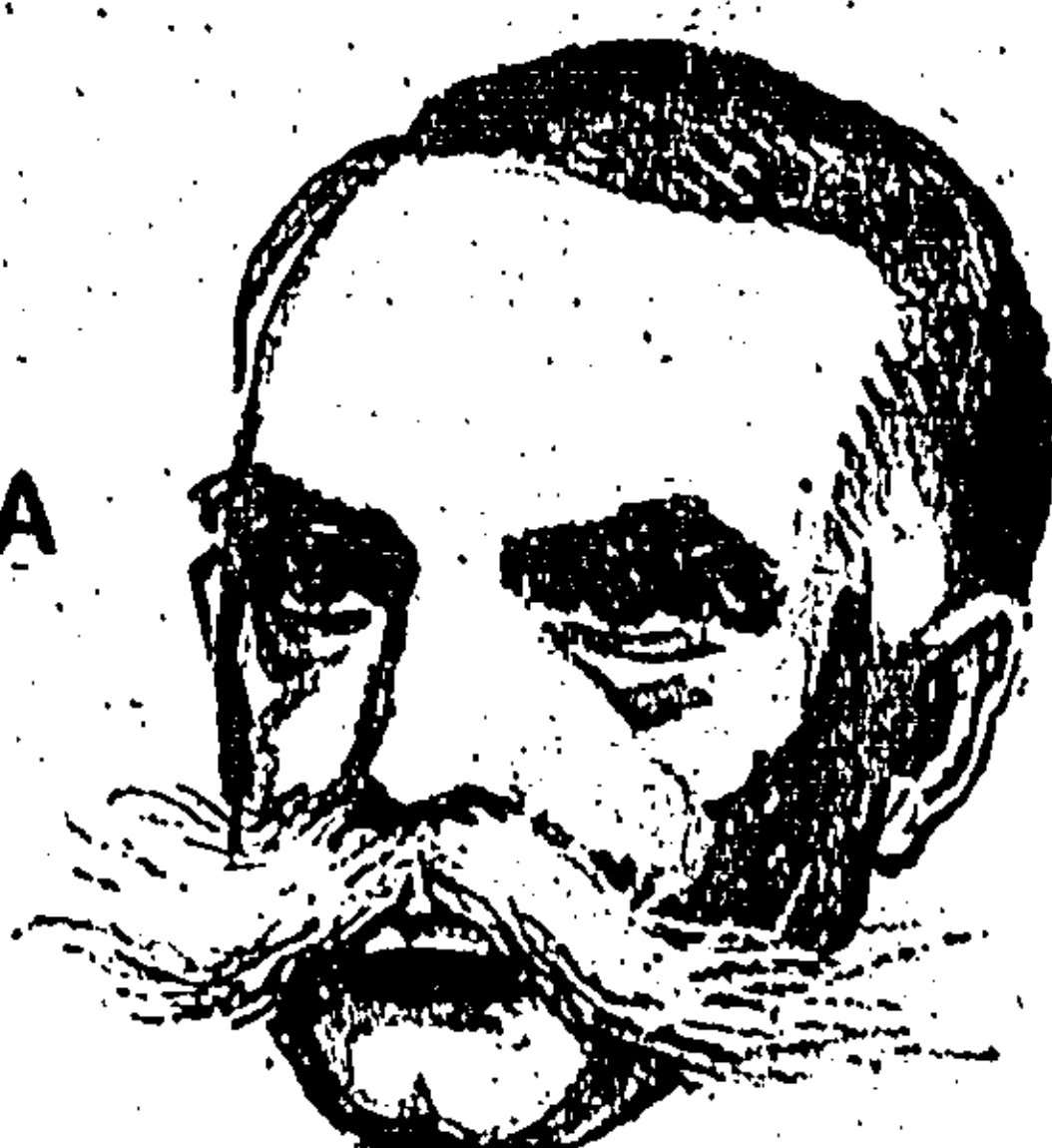
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Beauty and You

by PATRICIA LINDSAY

Older Woman Dignity Need Not Be Dowdy

It appears from any casual glance on a busy street that many mature women are under the illusion it requires very youthful, slightly extreme clothes to be chic! Somehow they feel that dignified clothes, of line and colour to suit them, lack smartness or dash. And they make the fatal mistake of masquerading in clothes and make-up meant for their budding daughters!

If I could take you to luncheon at one of our smartest spots you would be amazed at the simplicity

their figure in a severely simple manner. Then they buy accessories to accent that dignity of line. And for the final touch, they choose make-up to harmonize perfectly with the type of outfit, and the colours worn. They have mastered the art of dressing well.

DRESS TO YOUR AGE

Even though your dress allowance is small and your beauty budget too, put a little thought into what you buy and when and how you wear it. The older woman should strive for beauty in dignity. She should not try to avoid dignity. Her years have made her a definite personality—even the graying of her hair has made certain colours more becoming to her, certain cuts of frocks and coats more flattering.

Cosmeticians have spent years blending colours to enhance your more fragile beauty and have brewed formulas to keep your gray hair from turning yellow or losing its lustre. There are creams and lotions, lipsticks, rouges, eye make-up and hair aids, just for you. They are made to sell, so naturally they were made to make you more beautiful. If they do not accomplish that how would there be a market for them?

Play up your years, your dignity! Make them chic! Leave the crazy dress fads, the bizarre in coiffures, the glaring in make-up for the youngsters who like to look like freaks, and can get away with it because no one really cares what youth does. They are still the embryo of personality, you of mature years, are the finished product. Dramatize it by wearing appropriate clothing and a beautifying make-up.

and dignity of the clothes worn by women who can afford the best and the most fashionable! And they are the chic women of their age group!

These women are ever aware of line first, and accent second. That is, when they shop for a street dress, they buy one which flatters



An assemblage of current youthful fashions frequently make the mature woman ridiculous.

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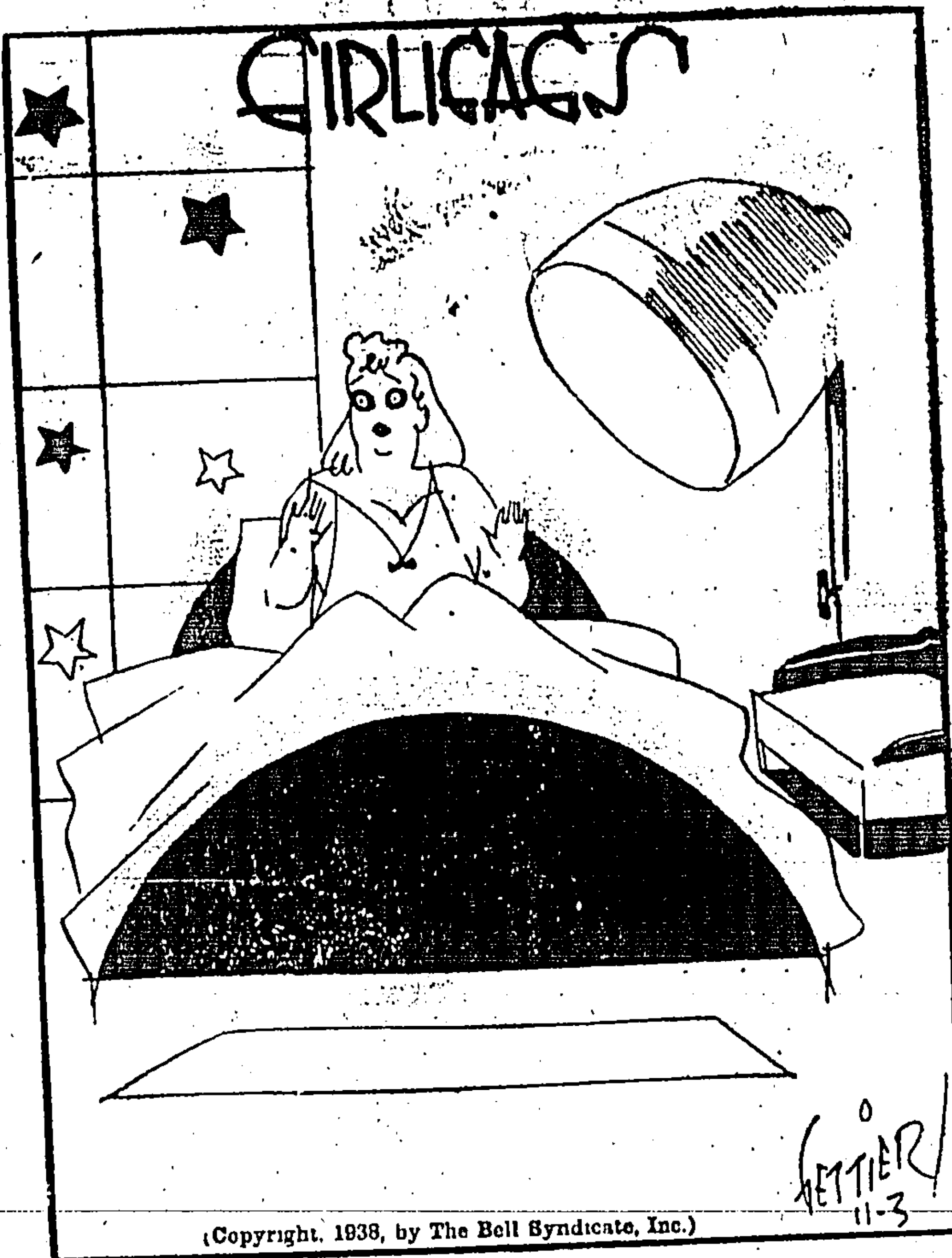


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Witty Kitty



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You may as well try to change the course of the wind as a woman who had her mind made-up.



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What The Stars Foretell

By MARY BLAKE

An influence for many people's imagination to be stimulated with the result of new ideas being conceived and the creative impulse awakened, especially along artistic lines, may be felt this day. There is, however, danger for a person who allows his dreams to run wild, particularly in any matter involving a question of veracity. It will be good judgment to stick strictly to the truth this day, even in the making of excuses. It might be well in business discussions to allow someone else to do the talking first. Remember, that unless you are quite certain you are qualified to play first fiddle, it is sometimes advisable to start out by playing second fiddle. A clear conscience will be worth far more than any advantage you can possibly gain socially or in business by practicing deception. Married and engaged couples, as well as those engaged in a love affair, must not, simply to tease, keep anyone in suspense, regarding news of importance.

If a woman and December 8 is your birthday, you may feel reason-

ably sure that you will be favoured with the smiles of fortune. You are likely to be able to wear more than one feather in your cap, as the result of worthwhile achievements. It would seem that some highly specialized line of work is the type through which great success might be won by you. You ought to have an exceptional amount of discernment, particularly when it becomes a question of your making the right selection of friends. Be careful not to permit yourself to become too much attached to any pet, for through love of animals, many born on this date, suffer a great amount of grief. As a radio or stage entertainer, political worker, author or sales lady you may win a great amount of praise as well as a substantial bank account. You ought never to have any difficulty in making a success of matrimony.

The child born on December 8, generally, by the time it reaches its teens, is well equipped intellectually. The greatest mistake this youngster's parent can make is to be over-indulgent.

A FORM-FITTING SLIP WITH BRA-TOP



If your slips don't fit your form this reason, they certainly will not do right by your slim, doll-waisted frocks. Well, here's a design for slips that will give you a perfect foundation for dresses that must fit without a line or wrinkle. Cleverly cut in the waist, made with a bra-top for firmness and slight uplift, it has such smooth, beautiful slimness that you'll want at least half a dozen slips like this.

It will cost very little to have a whole wardrobe of slips in luxurious materials, you make your own. Choose gleaming satins, pure silk crepes, and have at least one rusty taffeta.

AN ORIGINAL IDEA FOR DAYTIME

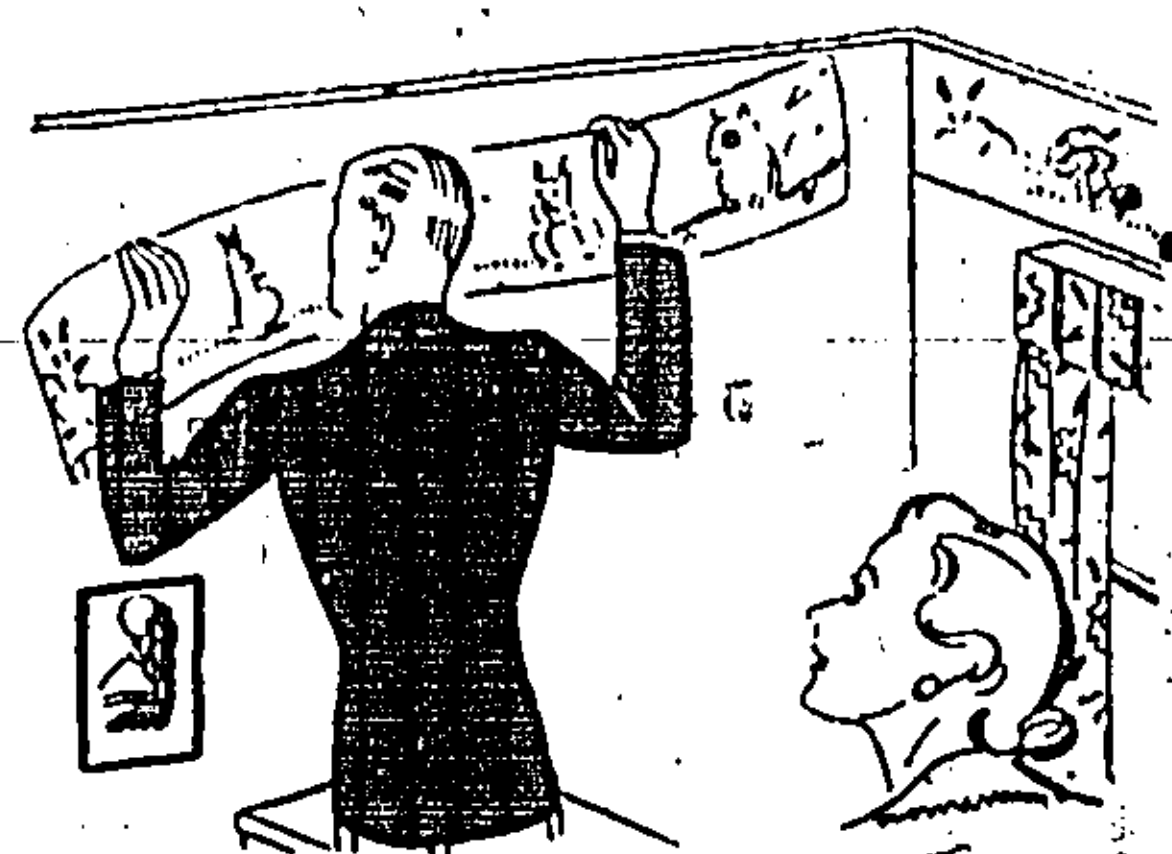
Yes—your favourite dirndl, in a new and original version as flattering as candle-light. It's just about the prettiest home frock of the season! See how charming, how youthful, are those short sleeves with the new pushed-up look! To say nothing of the yoke effect at the square neckline, the swirl of skirt, and above all that tiny, tiny waist with the soft, se-

A Charming New Undercoat Fashion



Here's exactly the new design you're looking for, to make your important new basic dress to wear under a heavy coat. There is nothing fussy about it, nothing to spoil the slim line of your slick new coat, and it is very, very flattering to the figure. Doll-waisted, with swirling skirt and high-shouldered sleeves, this dress has an unusually becoming kind of smart high neckline. Fullness over the bust, between shaped shoulder yokes and a lifted waistline, looks perfectly enchanting on slim figures.

For this, choose silk crepe, velvet, thin wool or flat crepe, in black with a sharp note of vivid contrast in your belt and jewelry, or in a attractive when you throw back jewel tone that will look doubly your dark, heavy coat.



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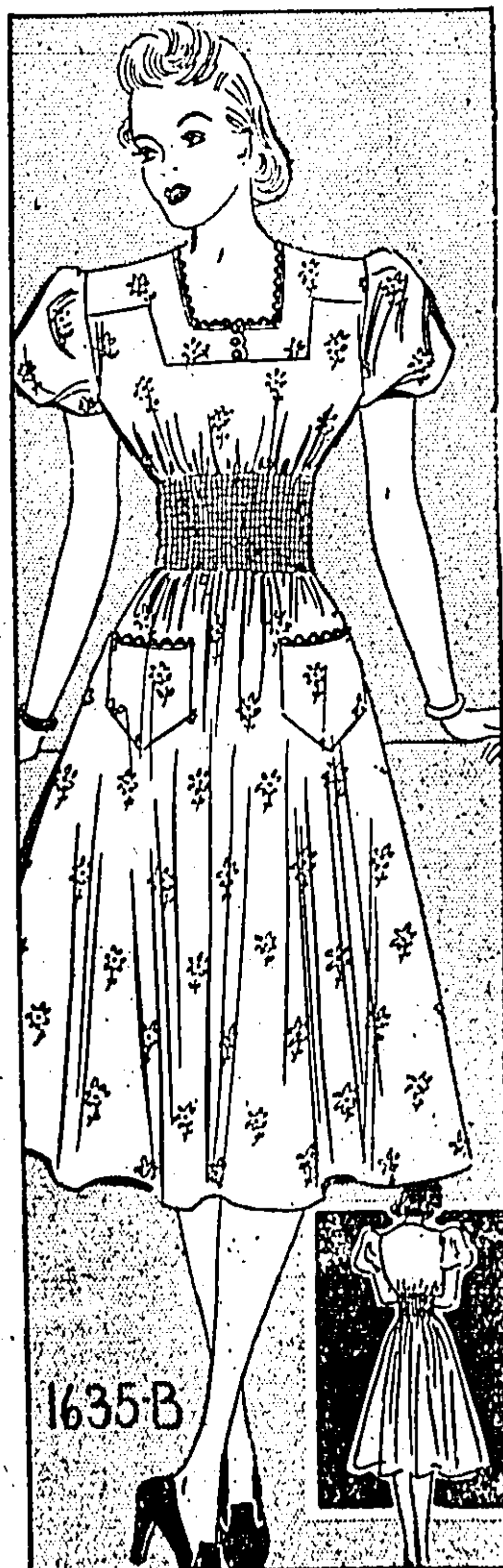
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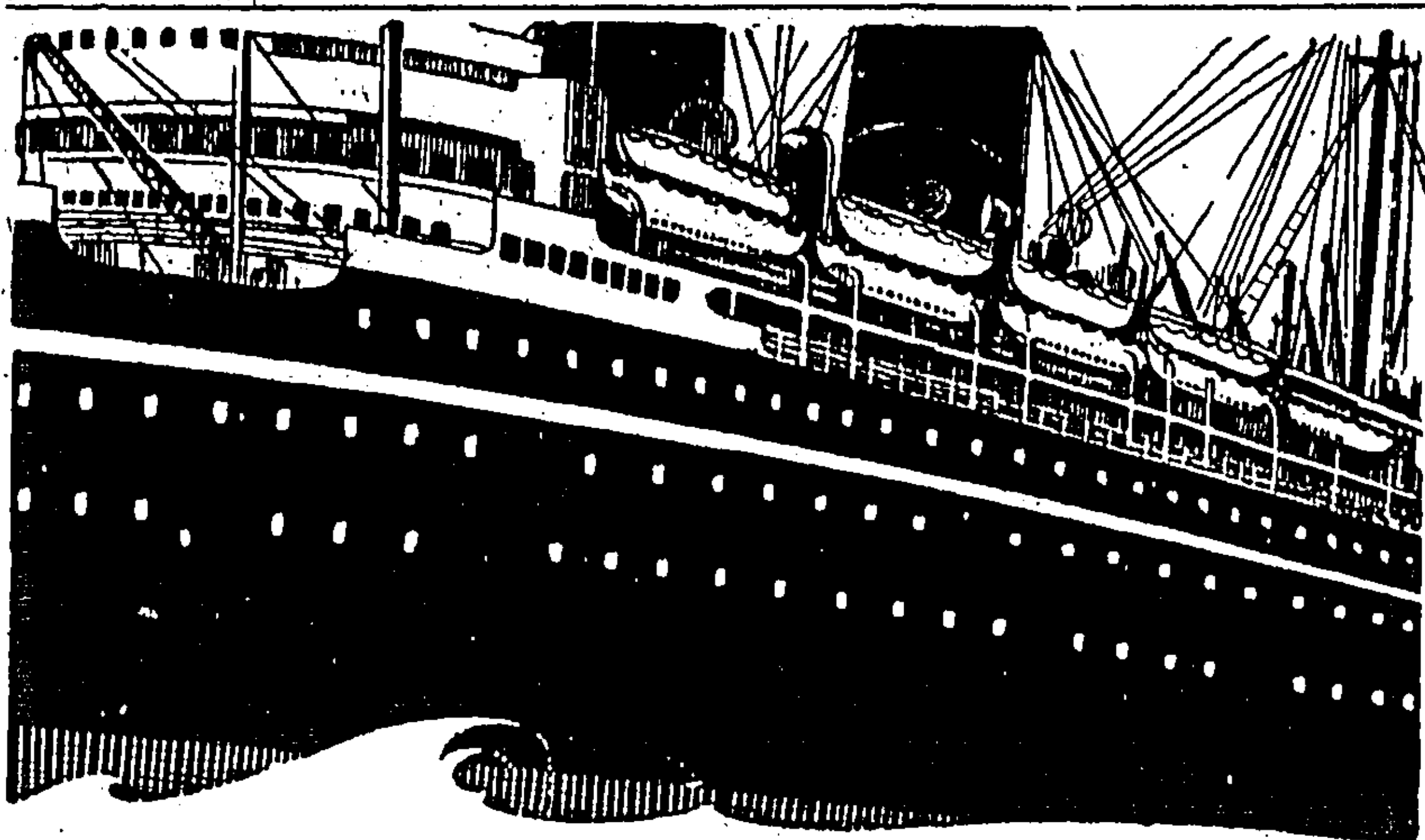
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Postal Service to Canton is temporarily suspended.

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Saigon	Marechal Joffre	December 8.
Japan and Shanghai	Aramis	December 8.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan — (San Francisco date, 18th November).	Pres. Coolidge	December 8.
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Straits	Aeneas	December 8.

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For	Per	Date and Time.
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Saigon	Aramis	Dec. 8, 3.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Coolidge	Thurs., Dec. 8, 5 p.m.
	K.P.O.—Reg.	Dec. 8, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Dec. 8, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.—Reg.	Dec. 8, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Dec. 8, 7 p.m.
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	Ord.	Dec. 8, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.—Reg.	Dec. 8, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Dec. 8, 7 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by Imperial Airways Direct Service—due Sydney, 17th Dec.	Imperial Airways Plane, Thurs., Dec. 8.	
	K.P.O.—Reg.	Dec. 8, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Dec. 8, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.—Reg.	Dec. 8, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Dec. 8, 7 p.m.

Friday		
Swatow	Kingyuan	Dec. 9, 8.30 a.m.
Sandakan	Mausang	Dec. 9, 8.30 a.m.
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	Reg.	Dec. 9, 9.15 a.m.
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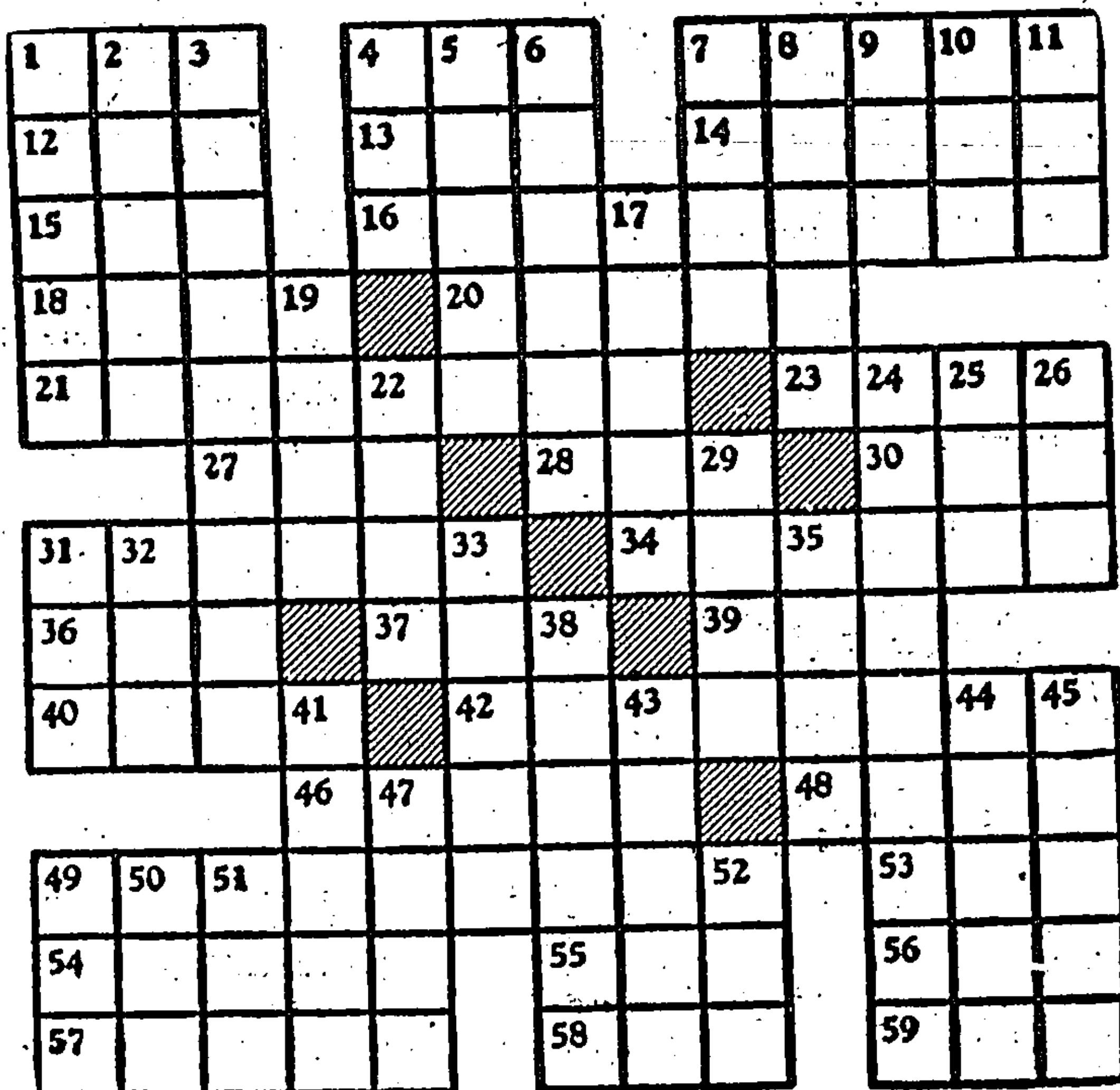
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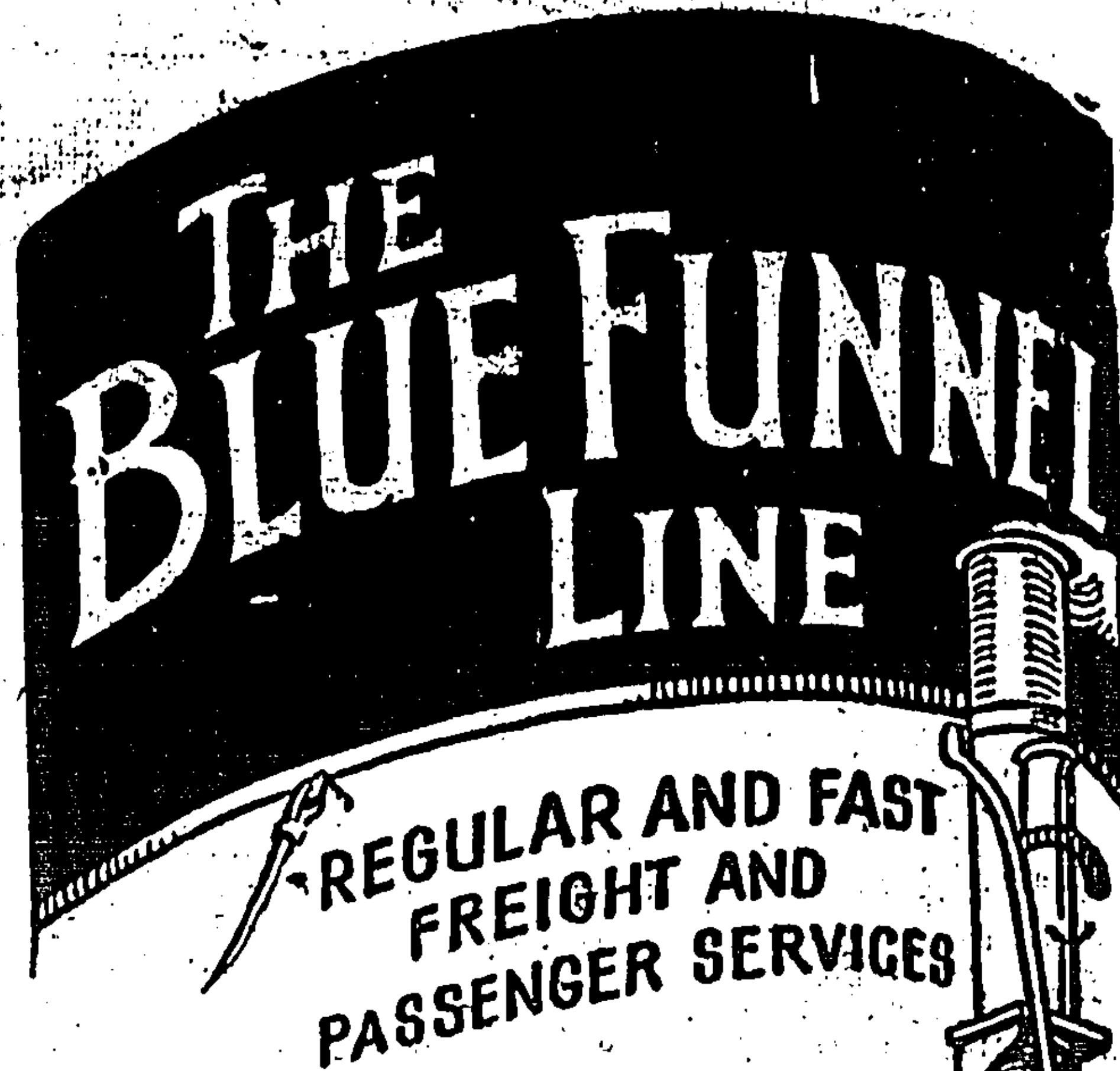
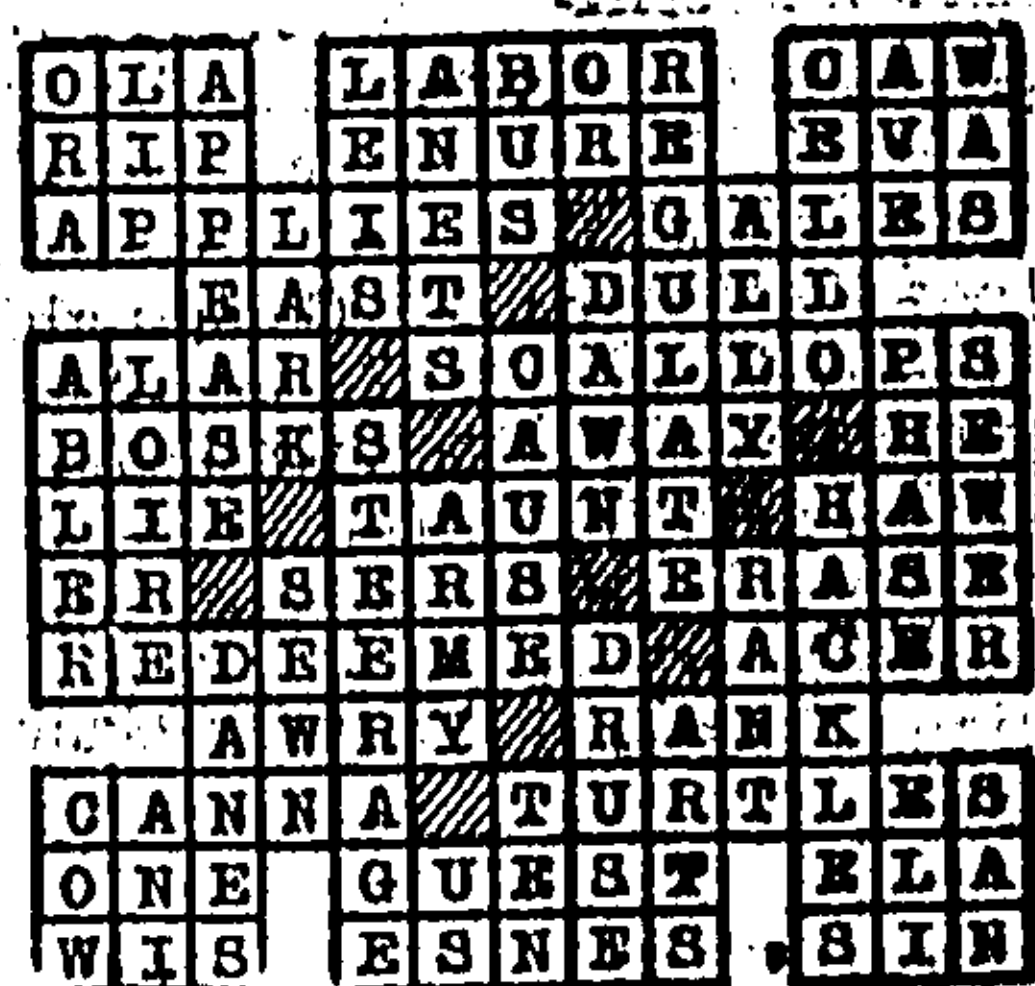
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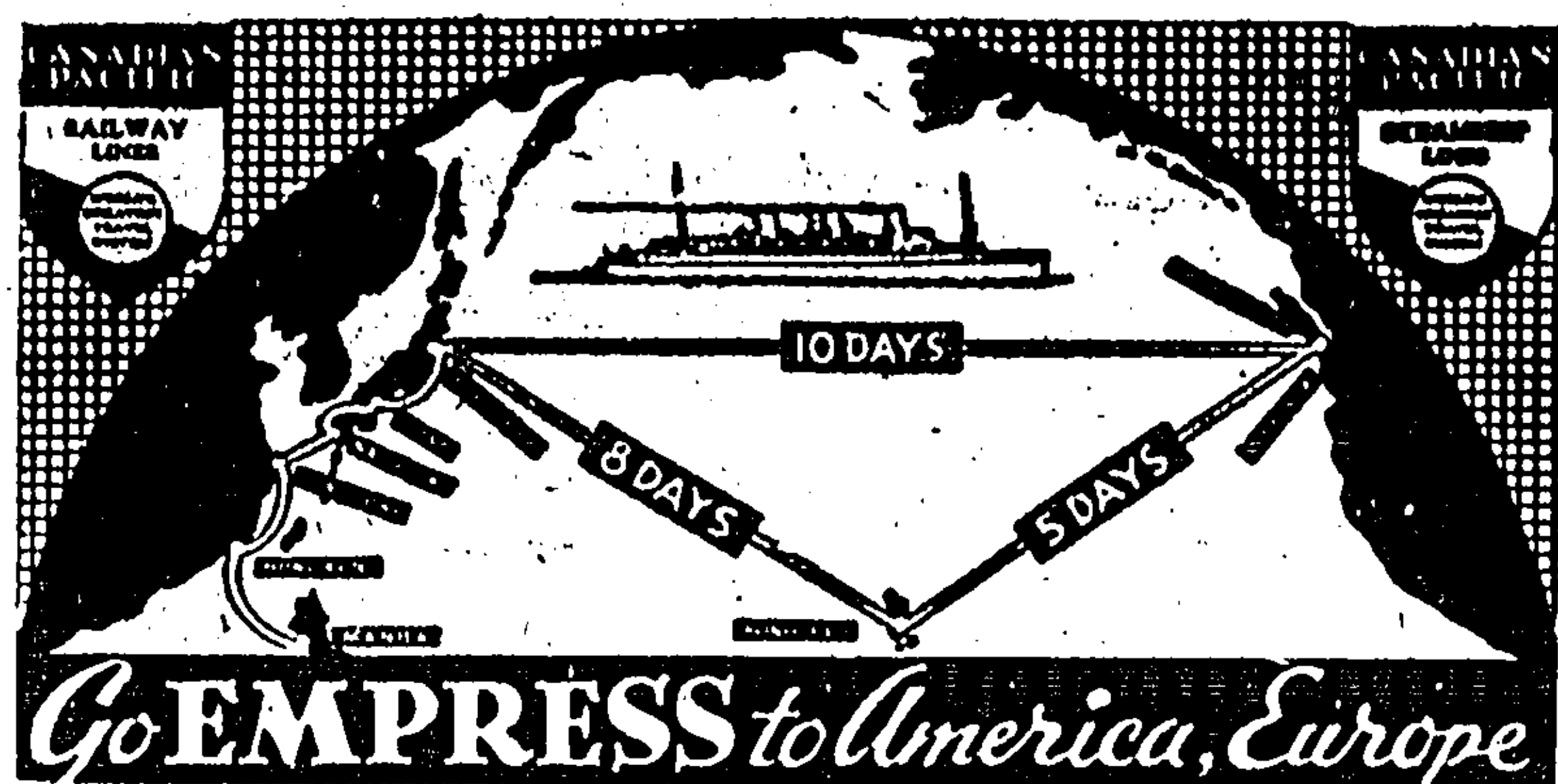
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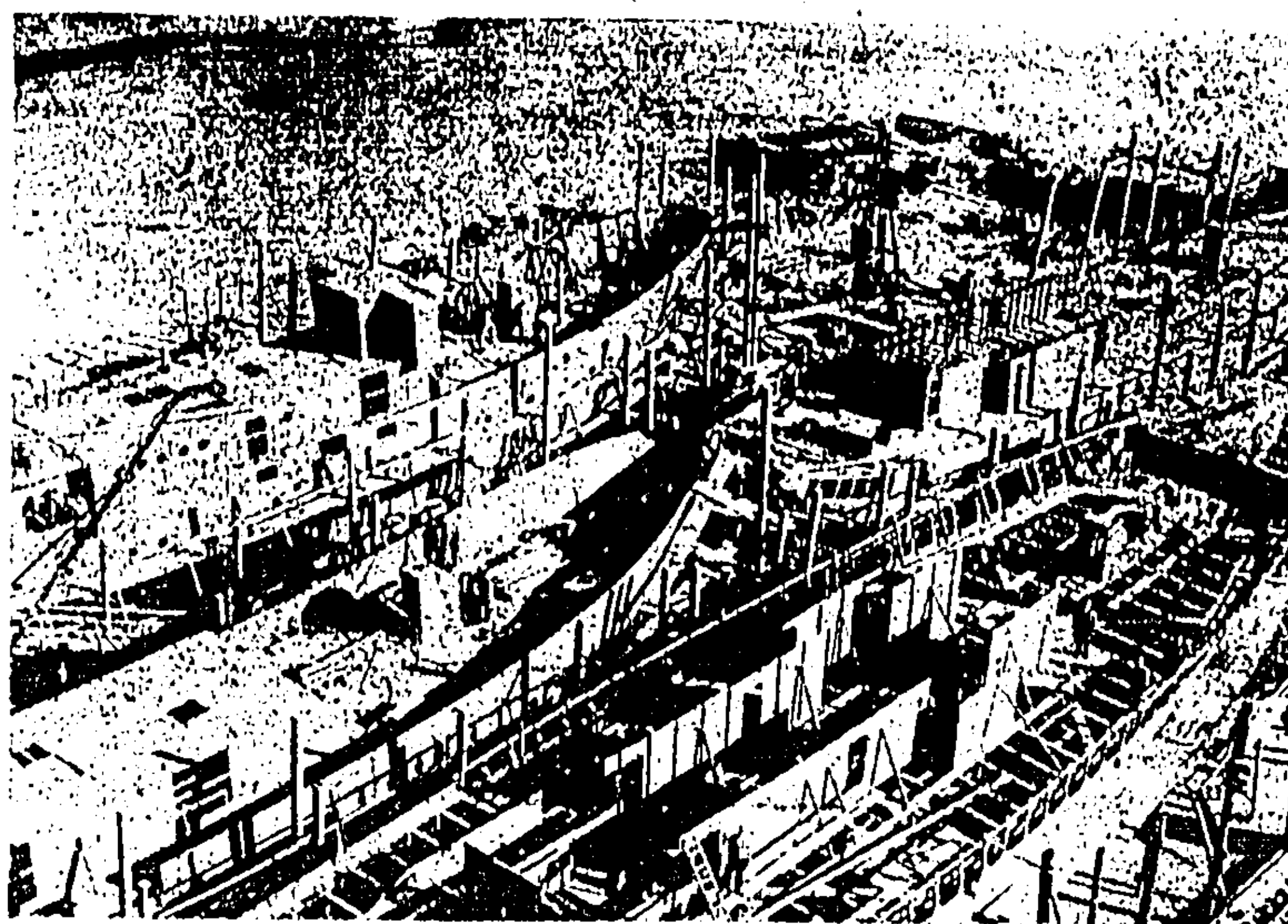
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At the Central Magistracy this morning, Wong Kai, 24, was charged before Mr. R. Edwards, with breaking into No. 18 Ho Tung Building, third floor, and stealing jewellery, money and clothing. He was charged, alternatively, with receiving.

Det.-Sergt. Forrest said that at 3.30 p.m. on Thursday last, the occupier left her flat, and locked the door. When she returned, she found the door broken, and clothing, money and jewellery stolen.

At about 4.30 p.m. on Tuesday, defendant was arrested in Queen's Road Central, with a cotton quilt stolen from Ho Tung Building. Some of the jewellery was recovered at different pawnbrokers.

Defendant was sentenced to four months' hard labour and recommended for banishment.

H.K. MINES

Hong Kong Mines report 3,752 short dry tons of ore treated for the month of November; from which 590.4 dry short tons of lead concentrates were produced, averaging 70.61 per cent. Lead and 15.65 oz. Silver per ton.

Mr. E. A. Gaubert, of Jardine, Matheson's, has reported the theft of a radiator cap from his car No. 4005, while it was parked in a side lane at Pedder Street.

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The December Race Meeting will be held at Areia Preta, Macao, on Sunday, 11th December, 1938, commencing at 2:15 p.m.

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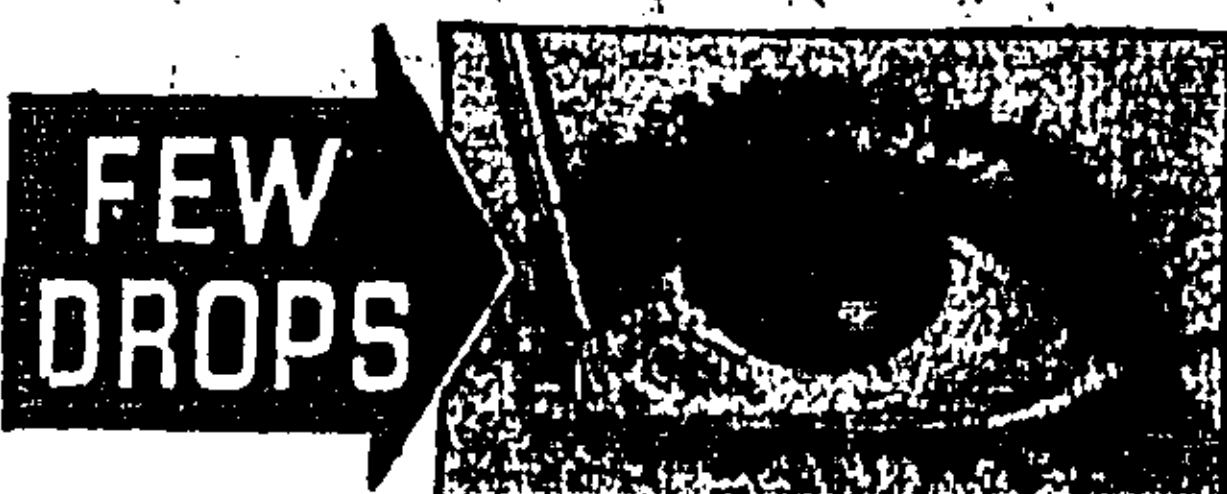
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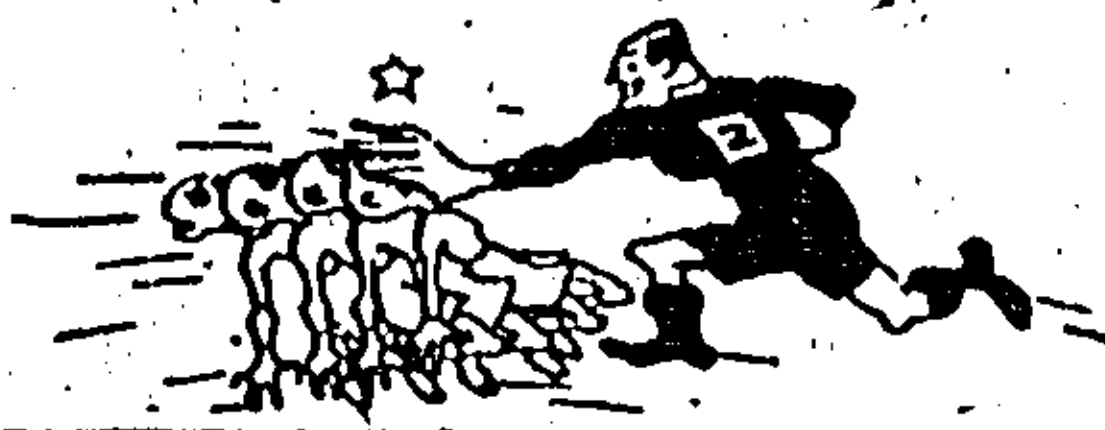
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CLUB'S HOCKEY WIN OVER H.K.S.R.A



CLUB "A" FIFTEEN TOO GOOD FOR 5TH A.A. BRIGADE

Boe Plays Well For Losers

(By "REFEREE")

A very scrappy Rugby match was witnessed on the Club ground yesterday, when Club "A" fifteen beat 5th Anti-Aircraft Brigade, Royal Artillery, who turned out instead of the Combined Small Units, who were unable to field a side, by four goals and two tries (26 points) to two goals and a try (13 points), after leading at the interval by two tries to a goal.

Hard tackling on both sides and poor heeling in the loose scrums were mainly featured, while the Brigade threw away many scoring opportunities by players selfishly hanging onto the ball instead of distributing it.

Boe, of the Royal Scots, who came down as a spectator, played for the Brigade and scored all three of their tries, piercing the Club defence quite easily. He converted two of his tries.

Club backs should have made better use of the ball when they obtained it, but there was too much kicking to touch and individual attempts to break through. Thompson was very selfish in the centre and was often grassed in possession, while Redman was inclined to pass the ball much too quickly.

Munro was seen in one of his rare bursts of enthusiasm and scored a try with the greatest of ease after a 60 yard run, crossing over to hand off the Gunners' full-back like a nine-pin.

Peers, who has only just returned to the Colony, was in very good form and together with Stoker and Dunnett led most of the loose rushes.

For the Brigade Gibling, their right-wing threequarter, was very dangerous and only poor backing up by his supporting centre-three-quarter prevented him from scoring. Boe, as I have stated above, was very dangerous, but rarely saw the ball from one of the set scrums as the Brigades' second row invariably blocked the ball's passage to the back row.

Wilson, Salisbury and Mew were the pick of the Gunners pack, while Higo worked hard at the base of the scrum, but received little encouragement from his forwards.

Club opened the scoring in the first half with unconverted tries by MacGrath and Hopkins, Boe replying for the Gunners and majorising the effort himself. Club ran riot in the second half and scored four tries, all of which were converted by Peers, the latter scoring two, while Thompson and Munro were responsible for the others. The Brigade replied through Boe (2), Page converting one of them.

C. Austin refereed and the teams were:

Club:—J. R. Brown; H. F. Hopkins, F. M. Thompson, J. A. Redman and K. A. Munro; W. M. MacGrath, R. Rutherford; J. C. C. Menhenick, W. E. Peers, J. S. Dunnett; T. Swan, W. Stoker; J. Johnson, G. L. Eastgate and K. H. G. White.

5th A.A. Bde. R.A.:—Grant; Gibling, Harding, Boe (R. Scots) and Howorth; Paige and Higo; Wilson, Mullins, Evans; Franklin, Mow; Lear, Hanling and Salisbury.

DIVETT GIVES GUNNER'S DEFENCE ANXIOUS TIME

REED BROTHERS IN FORM

(By "UBIQUE")

HONG Kong Hockey Club first team continued in winning vein yesterday when they defeated a strong team from the Hong Kong-Singapore Brigade, Royal Artillery, by the odd goal in three in an evenly contested game at King's Park.

L. F. Stokes was an absentee and his place at right back was taken by V. Bond, while the left winger's position thus vacated, filled very creditably by Morgan.

Neither side had many scoring chances but the Club were always dangerous when on the attack. Divett's attempts to score from short corners causing much anxiety.

Club were well served by their intermediate line, W. A. Reed, in the pivotal position, being very fast and covered well while both wing-halves were good and kept their forwards on the move with sound distribution.

E. V. Reed was safe at back and proved a great stumbling block to the Gunners' attack, while Bond though mishitting once or twice also did well.

Benwell, between the sticks, saved a certain goal in the first half, but did not have very much to do in the second half.

Club's forward line was well balanced. Divett, in the centre, was dangerous, while both wingers had to be watched. Bickford and N. Whitely the inside forwards, displayed good understanding with the rest of the attack and were seen in several good movements.

Hard hitting featured the play of the Gunners. Abul Rahman, in the pivotal position, worked hard and had ample support from Lieut. Yeatman, the left-half, who, though pitted against a fast pair in Morgan and Bickford, played well and cleared strongly.

Munchi Khan and Khuda Bux on the right-wing, were the most dangerous forwards on view, but the former was not quick enough against the tackling of the Reed brothers and was twice robbed when in good scoring position.

Club started with two players short, but held the Gunners. Khuda Bux broke away on the right wing and from his centre Munchi Khan scored. The Club did most of the attacking and a neat movement initiated by Divett, saw Fowler score with a good shot just inside the circle.

The Club took the lead when Divett sent in a high drive from a short corner.

Failing light spoiled the latter part of the game during which the Gunners did much attacking, but

BADMINTON CHAMPIONS WIN EASILY

St. John's Overwhelm Chung Wah

Although St. John's overwhelmed Chung Wah last night by nine sets to nil in the "B" Division of the Badminton League, it was only their past experience which gave them the victory.

The first three games were very close, each point being keenly contested. F. H. Kwok, veteran player, was partnered by R. Beavan, and this combination was almost beaten by P. C. Leung and S. C. Liang, the game being set before the home pair secured victory by one point.

Chung Wah, in spite of their defeat at the hands of the "B" Division Champions, gave a promising display, indicating that they will be strong contenders next season.

Scores were:
F. H. Kwok and R. Beavan (St. John's)
beat P. C. Leung and S. C. Liang 23-22
beat W. H. Choy and F. F. Li 21-10
beat C. K. Chin and H. L. Chow 21-7
N. Smith and P. Wilson (St. John's)
beat Leung and Liang 23-21
beat Choy and Li 21-10
beat Chin and Chow 21-14
David Kwok and S. Newman (St. John's)
beat Leung and Liang 21-7
beat Choy and Li 21-10
beat Chin and Chow 24-19

were unable to score.

H.K.S.R.A.:—Mohd. Fazil; Yusuf Khan and Mohd. Akbar; Lieut. Yeatman, Abdul Rahman and Mohd. Aslam; Khuda Bux, Rajah Khan, Munchi Khan, Yip, Kuda Bux and Nuir Khan.
H.K. Club:—M. Benwell; V. Bond, E. V. Reed; H. J. D. Lowe, W. A. Reed, N. B. Whitley; S. Fowler, T. D. Whitley, G. E. R. Divett (Capt.), B. I. Bickford and J. Morgan.

"REVIEWER'S" SPORTS COMMENTARY

Interport Hockey For Chinese New Year

Efforts are now being made to provide Macao Hockey Club with a number of first-class matches in preparation for the forthcoming Interport match against the Colony, which will in all probability be held during the Chinese New Year holidays, in Macao. It was hinted some time ago that Macao's finances were in a precarious position and that for the (then) time being they were unable to entertain any teams from Hong Kong.

I learn that altogether about five or six teams will pay regular Sunday visits to Macao starting on Sunday with the Royal Navy. On January 22, European "Y" will take two teams to Macao and will probably be followed by Central British Association.

The Association have already selected their four Interport selectors, but in view of Mr. G. T. Palmer's recent transfer to Canton, perhaps it would be better if another civilian member was elected.

Interport trial teams (and at this stage it would be better to remind the Committee that the Interport is only two months off) are selected as a result of current form in the Tournaments taking place such as the Hong Kong Hockey Association Tournament and the Triangular Hockey Tourney between Club, Navy and Army, which is just about to commence.

The absence of practice matches in which the selected Interport team meets a representative team, was conspicuously reflected in last year's Interport match, which Macao won comfortably.

A fact that the Interport Selection Committee have possibly not recognised is that, although we (the Colony) go out of our way to provide opposition, or rather Interport practice for the Macao Hockey Club in order to, ensure a good game, little in the same manner is done for the Colony team.

The Interport Selection Committee at the moment comprises Lt. Comdr. Bowerman, R.N., Lt. Douglas (Army), Mr. G. T. Palmer, (Civilian) (absent) and Mr. R. Henderson (Civilian) and Hon Secretary of the H.K.H.A.).

It is interesting to learn that Hong Kong Hockey Association anticipate holding a six-a-side tournament at the end of the 1938-39 season, most probably after the completion of all representative matches.

ARMY SELECT TRIANGULAR HOCKEY TEAM

The following will represent Army against Royal Navy in the Triangular Hockey Tournament at Sookunpoo, on Friday, December 16, at 3.45 p.m.:

L/Cpl. Dove (R.C.S.); L/Bdr. Carter (R.A.) and Pta. Stickley (Middlesex); L/Cpl. Wetton (R.E.), Lieut. Hook (R.A.) and L/Sgt. Fraser (R. Scots); Capt. M. Kennedy (R. Scots), Lieut. Indarjit Singh (Rajputana Rifles), Capt. Lawder (Kumaon Rifles), Neraun Singh (Kumaon Rifles) and Pataub Singh (Kumaon Rifles).

YESTERDAY'S COUNTY RUGBY MATCHES

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YESTERDAY'S CRICKET ATTRACTION

Combined Schools Hold Strong XI To Draw

FINE FIELDING BY
W. G. PRYDE
J. GOSANO'S BRIGHT
INNINGS

Losing five wickets for 129 runs in an hour-and-a-half's batting, and needing only two runs for victory, Mr. H. Owen Hughes eleven just failed to beat the Combined Schools in a drawn match on the Club ground yesterday.

One of the outstanding features of the afternoon's play was the bright knock of J. Gosano, who carried his bat for 21, while F. J. Lay fell to a l.b.w. appeal off Owen Hughes' bowling after scoring 19. School were dismissed for 130.

Brilliant fielding by W. G. Pryde, at third man, was also a feature of the game, and although both D. J. N. Anderson and D. McLellan were taken in the slips by G. Gosano and Smith, respectively, the fielding here was not particularly bright.

T. A. Pearce batted well to carry his bat for 45, but McLellan gave a performance of forceful batting, scoring a six into the road near the Supreme Court.

COMBINED SCHOOLS

F. J. Lay, l.b.w., b Owen-Hughes...	19
W. J. Pryde, c McLellan, b Owen-Hughes	18
D. Crary, c McLellan, b Owen-Hughes	0
G. Gosano, c Zimmermann, b Pearce...	10
C. Hosegood, c Pearce, b Lee	24
J. Fisher, c Griffiths, b Anderson	7
J. Gosano, not out	21
N. Singh, st Warr, b Owen-Hughes	5
N. Smith, c and b Lee	7
D. Hutchinson, b Owen-Hughes...	8
J. L. Youngsaye, st Warr, b Owen-Hughes	2
Extras	9

Totals 130

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lee	13	3	35	2
Owen-Hughes	14.2	3	32	6
Pearce	7	2	17	1
McLellan	5	1	17	0
Perry	3	1	14	0
Anderson	3	1	6	1

Fall of wickets:—1 for 31, 2 for 31, 3 for 40, 4 for 59, 5 for 86, 6 for 94, 7 for 105, 8 for 116, 9 for 126, 10 for 130.

MR. OWEN-HUGHES XI

R. H. Griffiths, b Crary	12
D. J. N. Anderson, c Gosano, b Crary	2
T. A. Pearce, not out	45
D. L. McLellan, c Smith, b Singh	23
H. R. B. Hancock, run out	13
F. R. Zimmermann, b Hutchinson	10
A. E. Perry, not out	1
Extras	23

Total (for 5 wks.) 129

A. U. Arculli, A. Warr, R. Lee and H. Owen-Hughes did not bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Crary	10	2	34	2
Smith	8	1	7	0
G. Gosano	4	0	22	0
N. Singh	3	0	11	1
Hosegood	3	0	18	0
J. Gosano	4	1	9	0
Hutchinson	1	0	5	1

Fall of wickets:—1 for 16, 2 for 21, 3 for 64, 4 for 84, 5 for 120.

K.C.C. TEAMS

The following will represent K.C.C. against I.R.C. on Saturday:

1st XI (home).—D. J. N. Anderson (captain), K. M. Baxter, F. A. Broadbridge, R. T. Broadbridge, G. C. Burnett, E. F. Fincher, G. A. Goodban, S. V. Gittins, R. E. Lee, N. D. Lloyd, N. A. E. Mackay. Reserve, F. A. Adams.
2nd XI (away).—S. A. Gray (captain), R. Baldwin, H. Brokenshire, G. G. Davies, G. W. Giffen, B. D. Lay, J. R. Luke, W. L. McKenzie, R. A. J. Simpson, G. E. Taylor, C. Walker.



The Combined Schools' cricket eleven (standing L. to R.) F. J. Lay, J. Fisher, D. Crary, D. Hutchinson, G. Gosano, J. Gosano (sitting) J. L. Youngsaye, C. Hosegood, Naranjan Singh, N. Smith and W. G. Pryde, were yesterday featured in a drawn match against Mr. H. Owen-Hughes' eleven on the Club ground. ("Mail" photo).

C.C.C. TEAMS

The following will represent the Craigengower Cricket Club against the Civil Service Cricket Club on Saturday.

1st XI (at home).—E. Zimmermann (Capt.), A. R. H. Esmail, D. Hung, A. K. Ismail, A. T. Lee, F. K. Lee, H. P. Lim, W. Rapley, G. Souza, A. Zimmermann and F. R. Zimmermann.
2nd XI (away).—B. R. Irance, N. Broadbridge, W. Hong Shing, M. C. Hung, A. Kitchell, C. W. Lam, J. W. Leonard, A. M. Omar, K. H. Shroff, G. Winch and J. L. Youngsaye.

5th A.A. Bde. Defeat Ordnance Corps

Weakened by the departure for Home of several of their players, Ordnance were defeated by 5th A.A. Bde. R.A., in their Second Division soccer encounter yesterday, by the odd goal in five.

Coughlin opened the scoring for the Gunners but the Ordnance drew level through Emberson from a penalty, and the same player placed his team in the lead before the interval.

Calvert scored the two other goals for the Gunners.

NO MORE COMPETITIVE TENNIS

Los Angeles, To-day.

Mrs. Wills-Moody, eight times Wimbledon champion, in a statement said she did not expect to play again in competitive lawn tennis.

"If the United States Lawn Tennis Association needed me and I had the opportunity to whip my game into condition, I would most likely accept an invitation to represent the United States again in international competition," she said.—Reuter.

R.H.K.G.C. ANNUAL MEETING

The annual general meeting of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club will be held in the board-room of Messrs. Jardine Matheson on Friday, December 16, at 5.30 p.m.

LA SALLE TROUNCE ELLIS KADOORIE

La Salle College 2nd Eleven defeated Ellis Kadoorie Indian School by 9 wickets in a friendly cricket match at Indian Recreation Club yesterday. V. Mendonca was in great form with the ball, and took 6 wickets for 10 runs. The Indian schoolboys were dismissed for 40 runs.

P. Rull reached the ropes on 13 occasions for his 60 before retiring.

Scores were:

Ellis Kadoorie:—40 (Mendonca 6 for 10, Rull 8 for 17).
La Salle 2nd XI:—192 for 7 wks. (P. Rull 60 retired, L. Guterres 39, F. Carvalho 33, B. el Arculli 4 for 52).

MATCH DRAWN

Durban, To-day.

The match between the M.C.C. and Natal was drawn, M.C.C. 458, Natal 307 and 30-0.—Reuter Bulletin.



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RADIANT GOES TO STUD

Radiant, a filly for which Miss Dorothy Paget paid 11,500 guineas at the Doncaster yearling sales in 1936, has left Frank Butters's stable at Newmarket for the stud. Radiant won only two races, worth a total of \$1468.

It was at the same sales that Miss Paget gave the record prices for a yearling of 15,000 guineas for Colonel Payne, which so far has not won, Tuppen, for which Miss Paget gave 6600 guineas in 1931, won only £53 for her on the flat by dead-heating for a race at Hamilton Park. Tuppen later won a £330 hurdle race for Miss Paget, and is now abroad.

Snooker Champion's 39 Points Forfeit

Spectators helped to create an atmosphere more appropriate to a chess-table during the early play in the gold cup snooker tournament match between Joe Davis and Sidney Smith.

Every stroke by the players was eagerly watched by the packed house, and each man seemed to plan three and four moves ahead. Often it was a case of brainy snookering and equally facile escape, and at the end of the session Smith retained his four games lead.

Davis, as on the two previous days, soon incurred a penalty, and in the playing period of over two hours he gave away 39 points in forfeits, including 23 in one game. It is almost without precedent for Davis to lose seven snooker games in succession in

any circumstances. That was his position; however, when yesterday's first two frames had been completed.

Again on the debit side for Davis was the fact that in one case he led 64-53, but failed to score again, while Smith went on to a total of 110. On the other hand, he had the best breaks with 80 and 79. There looked a distinct possibility in the second of these efforts of the record of 137—for which Davis received the official certificate only an hour before—being broken, but he failed at a comparatively easy red.

COLQUHOUN SCULLS

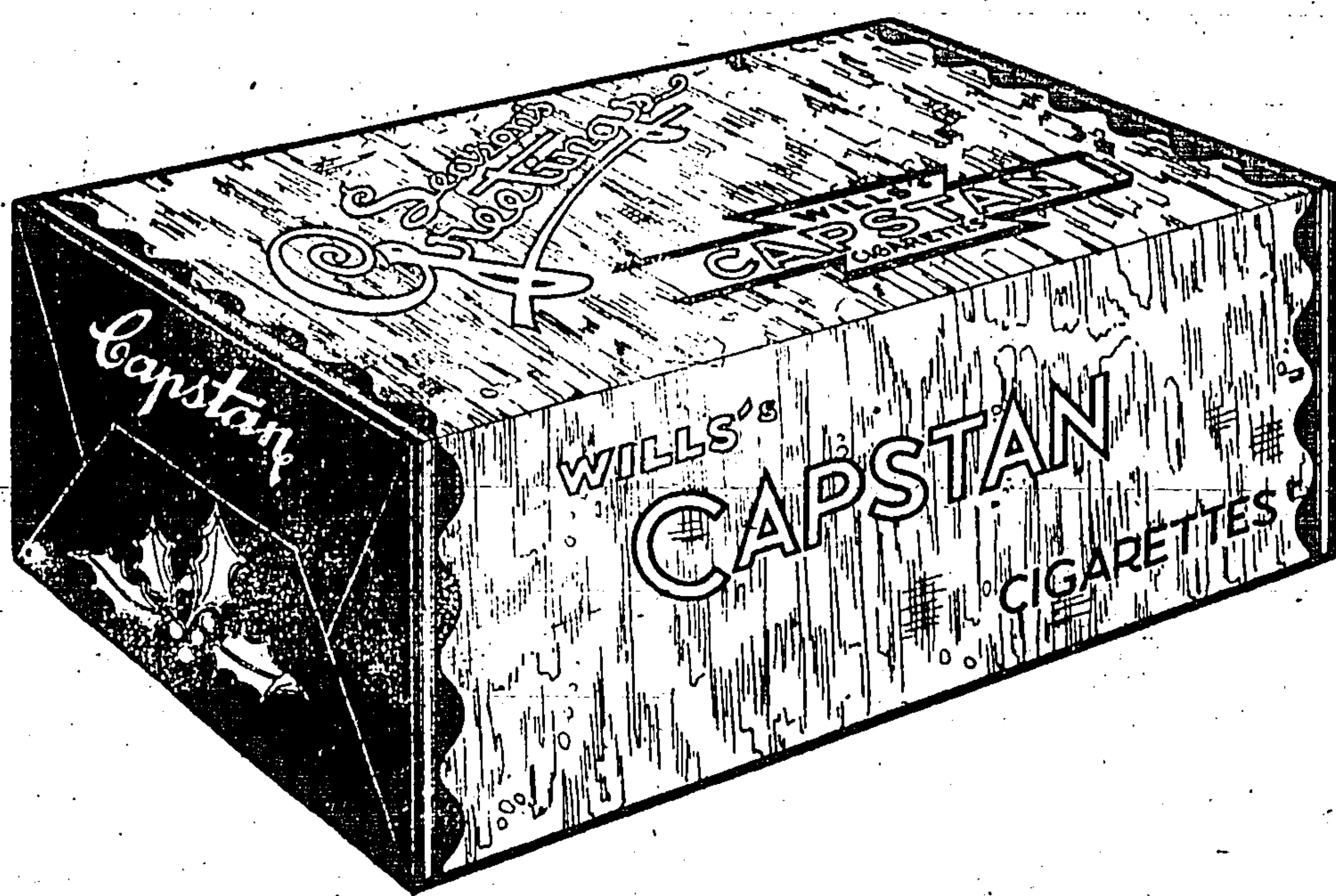
H. Parker, an American oarsman, won the Colquhoun Sculls at Cambridge. Sculling from Back Station, Parker soon took the lead, and his opponent, Sherwood, of Christ's, lost a lot of distance through indifferent steering.

H. Parker (Trinity Hall) (Back Station), 1; E. G. P. Sherwood (Christ's) (From Station), 2; Won by 11 seconds. Time: 8 min. 27 sec.

Harry Cooper, London-born American professional golfer, continues as one of Uncle Sam's star performers. With a second round of 66 he broke the course record in the recent Canadian Open championship at Toronto.

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England's Rugby Quest For Enterprising Players

The teams for the first English Rugby Union trial, England v. Possibles, which was played at Manchester on December 3 and which resulted in a win for the Possibles over England by 18 points to 7, were announced as follows:—

ENGLAND

G. A. Hosking (Birkenhead Park); A. Obolensky (Rosslyn Park), B. E. Nicholson (Harlequins), J. Harrison (the Army and Rosslyn Park), and C. B. Holmes (Manchester); H. J. Kenyon (Coventry) and J. L. Giles (Coventry); H. F. Wheatley (Coventry), H. B. Toft (Waterloo), R. J. Longland (Northampton), A. Wheatley (Coventry), T. F. Huskisson (Old Merchant Taylors), J. T. W. Berry (Leicester), L. Manfield (Otley), and A. A. Brown (Exeter).

POSSIBLES

H. Pateman (Coventry); R. H. Guest (Liverpool University), J. Heaton (Waterloo), G. E. Hancock (Birkenhead Park) and F. G. Edwards (Birkenhead Park); W. S. Kemble (Harlequins) and J. Ellis (Wakefield); G. T. Dancer (Bedford), T. G. Ridgway (Leicester), D. E. Teden Richmond, R. Morris (Gloucester), F. R. Gibbins (Exeter), O. V. Bevan (Bedford), C. D. Laborne (Richmond), and S. E. A. Anthony (Leicester).

SATISFACTION FOR THE NORTH

The necessity for discovering enterprising players outside the scrum has obviously been borne in mind by the selectors. The North will find special satisfaction in the choice of Hosking, Hancock, and Edwards from the successful Birkenhead Park team, and also the selection of Holmes, Guest, and Heaton, of Lancashire.

Giles is generally considered a certainty for the scrum-half position, and he will be partnered by his club-mate, Kenyon, who has been prominent this season. Much of Yorkshire's success in the County Championship has been due to the fine work of J. Ellis, who is picked for the Possibles at scrum-half.

England are assured for plenty of pace on the wings, with Holmes on the opposite flank to Obolensky. Holmes is Europe's fastest sprinter. In the Empire Games at Sydney last February he set up Empire records in the 220 and 100 yards, and has run for England in Brussels, Paris, Amsterdam, Helsingfors, Stockholm, and Oslo, and against U.S. and Germany at the White City.

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Brilliant Golf By Cambridge

The League G.S., who had won previously this season against Oxford by a good margin, began a two-days' match against Cambridge University on the Royal Worlington and Newmarket Club's course, and the University made a good start by taking honours in the morning foursomes by four games to three.

E. Bromley-Davenport and G. G. D. Carter, a former Cambridge captain, played some fine golf in the top foursome to win for the League, by 6 and 5, against J. D. A. Langley, the University captain, and N. B. F. Mann, the South African. The League pair were 5 up at the turn.

Among the successful Cambridge pairs, W. S. I. Whitelaw and W. H. Halstead played a brilliant short game in winning, by 4 and 3, against J. J. F. Pennink, the English champion, and J. W. D. Goodban.

Cambridge were only worsted in the singles. The League took six of the games, the University five, and three were halved. Thus on the day's play the honours were shared at 10½ points each.

Profit On Australian Test Tour MANCHESTER TEST FIASCO SPOILS RECORD

THE net profit on the Australian tour of England last year amounted to roughly £42,000. This was announced at the Board of Control meeting at Lord's.

Although not a record, the profit compares favourably with that of previous Australian visits to this country, and but for the Manchester fiasco, when not a ball could be bowled, all past figures would easily have been beaten.

The distribution of profits was made as follows:—

£3350 to the M.C.C. and each county on whose ground Test matches were played,
£1600 to each county on whose ground Test matches were not played,
£220 to each minor county and University.

It is estimated that over a period of four years the counties who stage Test matches on their grounds have received an average of £1400 per annum towards the cost of maintenance and improvements.

For next summer, when the West Indies will be in England, three Test matches of three days each have been arranged. The hours of play will be 11.30 a.m. 6.30 p.m.; 11 a.m. to 6.30 p.m.; and 11 a.m. to 6.30 p.m.

SAME BASIS

The Board decided that the new selection sub-committee to be appointed next spring should be continued on the experimental basis of four members, including two county captains, as last year.

It was announced that Sir Pelham Warner did not wish to seek nomination on the committee. A hearty vote of thanks for his services, and those of the other selectors, was passed.

NO TEST TRIALS

There will be no Test trial matches in 1939 or 1940, because suitable dates to avoid clashing with important games are not easily arranged.

In 1940, when the South Africans come over here, each Test match will be of four days duration. Grounds and dates for these Tests were fixed as follows:—

First Test, at Trent Bridge—June 8, 10, 11, 12.
Second Test, at Lord's—June 22, 24, 25, 26.
Third Test, at Old Trafford—July 6, 8, 9, 10.
Fourth Test, at Leeds—July 27, 29, 30, 31.
Fifth Test, at Oval—August 17, 19, 20, 21.

SOUND SUGGESTION

A resolution which received approval by the Board was that in future, as often as can be arranged, the 12th man in Test matches should be a player on the staff of the club on whose ground the match is played, and the M.C.C. will definitely carry this out at Lord's. The reason is to lessen any handicap to the county teams.

Owing to the death of Lord Hawke, and the retirement of Mr. A. J. Webbe, who asked to be relieved at the end of the year, two new Trustees will be appointed at the spring meeting.

3RD DIVISION VICTORY FOR 5TH ACK-ACK

In their Third Division encounter, 5th A.A. Bde., R.A. easily defeated Royal Engineers (Chinese) by 3 goals to 1. Sang Sia-cheung (own goal). Robson and Dobbinson scored for the Gunners who led by two clear goals at the interval and Tang Chung-pak, netted for the Sappers.

K.C.C. LAWN BOWLS CLOSING DAY RINKS FOR SATURDAY

Kowloon Cricket Club are holding their Lawn Bowls Closing Day on Saturday, commencing at 2.30 p.m. sharp when they will entertain five visiting rinks, the Home and visiting teams being as follows:

K.C.C. (1) v Guests (1)
V. C. Labrum v J. Stephens
A. Wright v B. A. Mansell
M. N. Rakusen v W. A. Cornell
Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell

(Skip)

K.C.C. (2) v Guests (2)
W. Naef v E. A. Atkins
W. Hobbs v P. Purvis
J. W. M. Brown v T. Fergusson
J. Hyde v L. Guv

(Skip)

K.C.C. (3) v Guests (3)
F. E. Nash v C. Mose
C. J. Tacchi v H. J. Kew
J. Smith v S. Gray
E. C. Fincher v U. M. Omar

(Skip)

K.C.C. (4) v Guests (4)
W. T. French v J. V. Ramsay
R. Meadows v G. Perkins
H. Nish v G. C. Moss
A. W. Smith v J. Hollidge

(Skip)

K.C.C. (5) v Guests (5)
W. Nash v C. M. Silva
W. Paterson v C. M. Alves
R. E. Marks v J. Gibson
T. C. Carr v R. Bagg

(Skip)

Reserves:—W. Bowden, T. M. Connolly, T. A. Tarrant, J. Fable and E. Kern.

WIMBLEDON PROFITS FROM 1937 CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Lawn Tennis Association received £12,097 as its share of the profits on the All-England Championships at Wimbledon in 1937—an increase of more than £1000 on the 1936 figures £10,969.

Profits on 1938 Championships will not be made known until next year.

A motion that the Association should adopt the "eight weeks expenses" rule of the International Federation will be considered at the annual general meeting of the L.T.A. in London on December 9 (Friday). The rule permits the payment of travelling and reasonable living expenses to players for not more than eight weeks in any one year.

It is proposed also to add to the rule a clause permitting the payment of expenses to players who are selected to take part in matches or tournaments for trial purposes, practice games, and training.

NAVY RUGBY XV FOR TRIANGULAR ENCOUNTER

The following will represent Royal Navy against Club in the Triangular Rugby Tournament on Saturday, at Causeway Bay at 4 p.m.

A. B. Hunt (Eagle); Lieut. P. D. Lewis (Birmingham); P. O. Asquith (Dainty); Lieut. Skelton (Grampus); Lieut. Walters (Olympus); Lieut. Elcott (Eagle); Capt. Lieut. Talbot (Otus); Ldg. Sea. Romans (Eagle); Mr. Witherden (Duncan); A. B. Thatcher (Eagle); Lieut. Darling (Rover); Lieut. Northey (Diana); Lieut. Ogle (Phoenix); Lieut. Pomphrey (Dorsetshire) and Lieut. Anderson (Olympus).



SEAWANHAKA CUP

Scottish Yacht Club Accepts Challenge

The Royal Northern Yacht Club, the oldest and one of the most noted clubs in the Firth of Clyde, has accepted a challenge from the Royal Norwegian Yacht Club to race for the Seawanhaka Cup next season.

The Blue Riband of the International Six-Metres Class, the Seawanhaka Cup was won in a series of matches against the United States yacht Goose last September in Rhode Island waters U.S.A., by the Royal Northern Yacht Club's nominee, Mr. J. H. Thom, in his six-metres Circe.

Crown Prince Olav's Six-Metres Norna VI, which became so popular during the Coronation Regatta, and which won the Scandinavian Gold Cup last year, is likely to be the Norwegian challenger for the Clyde races. The racecourse will be buoyed in Rothesay Bay, in mid-Firth, which is a fine open water with free winds.

United States yachtsmen have not yet intimated their challenger, and may not do so until after the Bermuda Six-Metres race just after Christmas. German, Dutch, and French yachtsmen might also take part in this international six-metres yachting competition.

MRS. CLIFFORD SCRATCHES FROM LADIES' EVENTS

Unfortunate For Miss Griffiths

(By "REFEREE")

Mrs. E. G. A. Clifford, who is acknowledged one of the best lady tennis players in the Colony and a strong favourite for the Ladies' Singles and Doubles (partnered by Miss M. Griffiths) titles, has scratched from both these events as she left for Shanghai last Monday to join her husband, who is a Commander on H.M.S. Cumberland.

This means that F. Tracey will now meet Mrs. J. Skinner, who receives a walkover from Mrs. Clifford, in the semi-final of the Singles event, while Miss P. Anderson and Miss Yeung Wai-bun receive a walkover in the Doubles and enter the semi-final round where they will meet Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu.

MIDDLESEX SHIELD TEAMS FOR SATURDAY

The following have been chosen to represent Middlesex Senior and Junior teams in their Shield Games against South China "A" and Stonecutters Wireless Station, respectively, on Saturday.

Seniors:—Jackson; Watson and Sheehan; Kreshwater, Bright and Wilkinson; Grogan, Courtney, Pearson, Saw and Taft.

Reserve:—Marable.

Juniors:—Coppard; Haigh and Collier; Dawes, Thomas and Whitehouse; Taylor, Coomer, Crowthurst, Riches and Thomas.

Reserve:—Maggeridge.

Studio Play: "The Legend Of The Room"

12-12.20 p.m.—Relay of a Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 p.m.—Dorickson & Brown (Vocal) Over Somebody Else's Shoulder (Lewis); The Little Dutch Mill (Barris); One Morning In May (Carmichael); You Oughta Be In Pictures (Success)....with Piano accomp.

12.43 p.m.—Vivian Ellis at the Piano. "Shall We Dance"—Selection (Gershwin); "Top Hat"—Medley (Irving Berlin); Let Me Play (In which the Composer (Vivian Ellis) introduces fifteen of his best known tunes).

1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Noel Coward in Musical Comedy.

"Bitter Sweet"—Zigeuner.... Peggy Wood (Soprano) with Piano.

"To-night at 8.30"—

Scene From "Shadow Play". Intro: Then; Play; Orchestra. Play; You were there.... Gertrude Lawrence & Noel Coward accomp. by The Phoenix Theatre Orchestra.

Scene From "Family Album". Intro: Here's a Toast; Hearts & Flowers.... Gertrude Lawrence, Noel Coward and Company acc. by The Phoenix Theatre Orch.

Scene From "Red Poppers". Intro: Has anybody seen our ship; Man about Town.... Gertrude Lawrence & Noel Coward acc. by The Phoenix Theatre Orch.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 p.m.—Harold Ramsay at the Organ. Famous Marches Medley. Intro: The Washington Post; Sempor Fidelis;

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1.53 p.m.—Henry Jacques & His Correct Dance Tempo Orchestra. Why Talk About Love—Quick-Step (film 'The Joy Parade'); Tears In My Heart—Slow Fox-Trot; The Whispering Waltz; I Let A Song Go Out Of My Heart—Slow Fox-Trot; So Long, Sweetheart—Slow Fox-Trot; You're An Education—Quick-Step; Golden Heart—Waltz.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6 p.m.—Studio—Children's Hour.

7.02 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.04 p.m.—Naval & Military Band Selections.

Coronation March And Hymn (Sir Edward German—arr. Godfrey); The Guards Patrol (Williams).... Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards cond. by Major George Miller.

La Source Ballet (arr. Winterbottom).... The Band Of H.M. Coldstream Guards cond. by Lieut. R. G. Evans.

All Hands—March (Dedicated to Rear Admiral R. H. Leigh, U.S.N.); Anchors Aweigh—March (Dedicated to Class of 1907 U.S. Naval Academy).... United States Navy Band cond. by Lieut. Charles

Benter.

Sing A Song (Hes).... Massed Bands cond. by J. Henry Hes.

Woe MacGregor Patrol (Amers); Policeman's Holiday—One-Step (Ewing).... The Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards cond. by Lieut. R. G. Evans.

7.30 p.m.—Songs by Richard Tauber (Tenor).

To The Land Of My Own Romance (Smith—Herbert); I Want The World To Know (film 'Music for Madame'—Friml); Let Me Awaken Your Heart (film 'Heart's Desire')....with Orchestral accomp.

7.40 p.m.—Studio—Z.B.W. Orchestra. 1. Noel de Pierrot (Monti)—Overture.

2. Serenata di Baci (Micheli).

Interval

A Swan (Grieg).... Kirsten Flagstad (Soprano) with Piano accomp. by Edwin McArthur.

3. Dan Ia Forge (Ellenberg).

8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Studio—Z.B.W. Orchestra. 4. Reyerie (Malberto).

Interval

Three For Jack (Weatherly & Squire—arr. Pointer); Four Jolly Sailors (from 'A Princess of Kensington')—Hood & German).... Francis Russell, Parry Jones Raymond Newell and Harry Dearth with Piano.

5. Selection from "The Mikado" (Sullivan).

8.30 p.m.—London Relay — 'At The Black Dog'. Mr. Wilkes at home in his own bar-parlour. Presented by S. E. Reynolds and Pascoe Thornton.

London Relay: "At The Black Dog"

9 p.m.—Folk Dance Orchestra & Folk Songs.

Konjigspolska (Collected by the Folk Association); Swenah Schot-tiscne; Toast to King Gustav (Collected by the Folk Association).... Folk Dance Orchestra cond. by Victor Olor.

Mowing the Grass (Traditional); Suene, On Moyle (Traditional)....

Sydney Macgregor (Tenor) with Piano accomp. by Duncan Morrison. Litemecus (Lacvian); Chap Dance (German); Mattemagera (Dan-isa).... Folk Dance Orchestra cond. by Victor Olor.

9.15 p.m.—London Relay—'World Affairs'. A talk by J. L. Dierley, D.D., O.C., O.C., Professor of International Law in the University of Oxford.

9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

9.50 p.m.—Quilter — Three English Dances. Played by New Light Symphony Orchestra conducted by J. Ambrose Murray.

10 p.m.—Studio—A Play—'The Legend of the Room'.

10.30 p.m.—Roy Fox & His Orchestra in Dance Numbers.

Fox-Trots—You Took The Words Right Out Of My Heart (film 'Big Broadcast of 1938'); Thanks For The Memory (film 'Big Broadcast of 1938').

Waltzes—My First Love Song (film 'Queen of Hearts'); Would You (film 'San Francisco').

Quickstep—The Chocolate Soldier's Daughter; Slow Fox-Trot—What Is Romance (from 'No sky so blue').

Fox-Trots—Saddle Your Blues To A Wild Mustang; Please Believe Me.

Fox-Trots—The Cross-Eyed Cowboy On The Cross-Eyed Horse; Silvery Moon And Golden Sands.

11 p.m.—Close down.



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South, Dealer
Both sides vulnerable

♠ 10 8 6 5
♥ 10 2
♦ Q 9 4 3
♣ A 7 6

Miss Sherman
♠ Q 4
♥ K J
♦ 8 7 6 5
♣ K J 9 3 2

Mr. Schenken
♠ A K 7 3
♥ Q 9 5
♦ A K J 10 2
♣ 4

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♠	Pass	2♠	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

a trump break was all that was needed to make his contract. However, a brilliant opening lead by Miss Ruth Sherman, one of New York's finest women players, had entirely ruined his prospects.

After her opponents had arrived at game, Miss Sherman mentally reviewed the bidding. She remembered that Mr. Schenken had opened with one diamond and his partner had immediately raised that suit. Holding four diamonds herself, Miss Sherman reasoned that her partner would have at most one, and might possibly be void. Thus she decided on a diamond opening, and things immediately started happening. East ruffed the diamond and returned a small heart. Miss Sherman won with the Jack and led a second round of diamonds. East again ruffed and next cashed his Ace of hearts. When Miss Sherman's King dropped, East played a third heart, which was trumped with the spade Queen. A third diamond ruff set the hand three tricks, and at this point Miss Sherman was heard to murmur, "I'm awfully sorry, partner. I guess I should have doubled!"

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What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE ALHAMBRA—"Walking Down Broadway". The thrilling and dramatic tale of six girls who dared to live for the things other girls only long for. With Claire Trevor, Phyllis Brooks, Leah Ray, Dixie Dunbar, Lynn Bari, Jayne Regan, Michael Whalen, Tom Beck, Douglas Fowley, Walter Woolf King and Jed Prouty.

AT THE KING'S—"There's Always A Woman". Light-hearted romantic comedy that is top-heavy with laughs. "It's the 'Thin Man' and 'Awful Truth' woven into one" wrote one American reviewer. With Joan Blondell, Melvyn Douglas, Mary Astor, Frances Drake and Thurston Hall.

AT THE MAJESTIC—"The Last Train From Madrid". A flaming love drama of the Spanish War. With Dorothy Lamour, Lew Ayres, Gilbert Roland, Karen Morley, Lionel Atwill, Helen Mack, Olympie Bradna and Anthony Quinn.

AT THE ORIENTAL—"Roman Scandal". With Eddie Cantor—A lavish production, filled with laughter, novelty, and the world's most beautiful girls in dazzling spectacle.

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AT THE QUEEN'S—"Blond Cheat". With Joan Fontaine and Derek de Marney. A girl, hired to make love to an eligible bachelor in order to break up his engagement to another woman, falls in love with him. And this leads to an amusing series of events of the picture.

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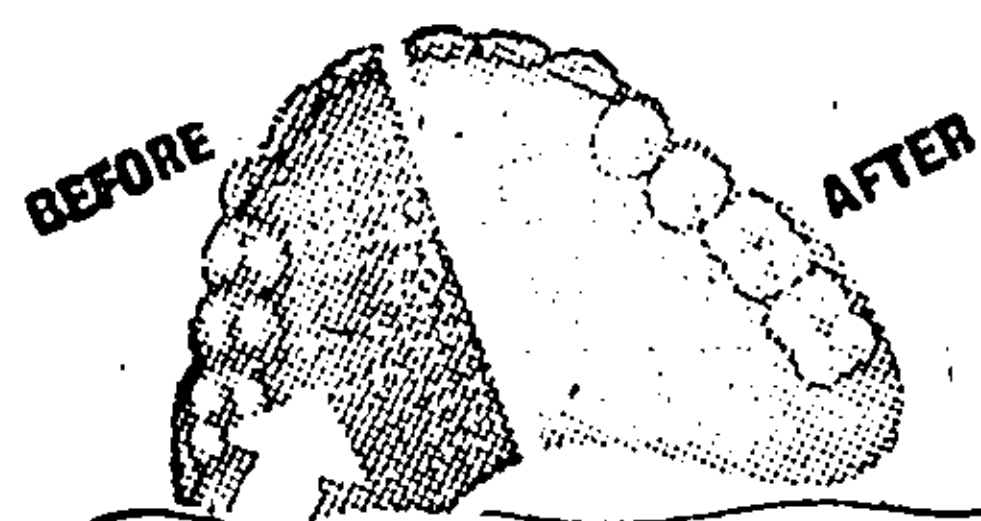
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EXTRAORDINARY "KEN" INTERVIEW ALLEGED GIVEN BY THE EX-KAISER

London, To-day.

For the first time since Hitler's advent, the ex-Kaiser has expressed his personal view of the Nazi State, according to the New York correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph," quoting an interview in the magazine "Ken."

The interview was given in the ex-Kaiser's study at Doorn and, according to "Ken," the former ruler of Germany declared:

"Of our Germany, which was a nation of poets, musicians, artists and soldiers, Hitler has made a nation of hysterics and hermits engulfed in the mob and led by a thousand liars of fanatics....

"He is a man alone, without family, children and God.

"Nations are created by families, religion and tradition. But in the Reich an all-swallowing state, disdainful of human dignities and the ancient structure of our race, establishes itself in place of everything else, and the man who incorporates in himself this whole state has neither God to honour, nor dynasty to conserve nor a past to consult.

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ANTI-FRENCH DISPLAYS IN ITALY CONTINUE

Rome, To-day.

Protest meetings against anti-Italian demonstrations in Tunis and Corsica were held yesterday in many towns in Italy.

In Turin, more than 3,000 students marched to the French Consulate where they broke out into cries of vehement protest.

With the German Consul appearing on the balcony of the German Consulate, the crowd cheered Hitler and the Duce.

Similar demonstrations took place in Florence where the French Consulate had to be cordoned off by strong police detachments.

In Naples, thousands of students marched through the streets singing the national anthem and other national songs. They were joined, amid the deafening cheers of the population, by 1,000 German holiday makers who had arrived in Naples aboard German "Strength Through Joy" ships. Together they marched to the German Consulate where enthusiastic demonstrations for Hitler and Mussolini took place. —Trans-Ocean.

RAID ON BRITISH MILITARY CAMP: EIGHT DEAD

Beirut, To-day.

Arab irregulars carried out a raid on a British Military Camp near Nablus, according to despatches in the paper "Alyom," which reports that eight soldiers were killed and seventeen wounded.

Shortly afterwards a British punitive expedition surrounded the fifteen Arab villages in the vicinity of Nablus and held fifteen hundred inhabitants prisoner for 24 hours. —Trans-Ocean.

CUT DOWN

Leung Kit, aged 27, unemployed, found hanging in the cockloft at No. 608 Queen's Road West, about 7.30 a.m. yesterday, was cut down and later admitted to Queen Mary Hospital.

REFUGEES SELL SMALL BOY

Circumstances of the sale by refugees in the Colony of a three-year-old boy were related by Inspector E. G. Post this morning before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy.

The accused were Ho Mui, 22-year-old father of the boy, Ho Kwan, and his 24-year-old mistress, Yuen Chan, of No. 52, Reclamation Street.

Both accused, said Inspector Post, came from Shek Lung about six weeks ago bringing the child with them. The man left his "kit-fat" wife in the country.

On arrival, they lived at the above address and from this address made efforts to dispose of the child.

About two weeks ago, his family asked him where the boy was and he told them that he had been sent back to his "kit-fat" wife in country.

His brother, later, met some cansmen, was informed that the boy had not been sent back, and reported to the Police.

POVERTY PLEA

Accused admitted having sold the lad to two unknown boatwomen for \$69 as they were in a state of poverty.

The boatwomen were not traced but the child was, on Tuesday morning, found apparently abandoned in Yaumati Police Square.

The woman, said Inspector Post, actually interviewed and carried the boy to the boatwomen.

After hearing evidence, his Worship sentenced both to six months' hard labour.

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The U.S.S. Luzon and the Admiral Charner have left Nanking and are arriving at Chinkiang to-day. They are due in Shanghai at 2 p.m. to-morrow. — Reuter.

Shanghai, To-day.

According to present arrangements, which are tentative, made by the British and American authorities at Kiukiang with Chinese and Japanese officials; some 35 foreigners are evacuating Kuling for Shanghai on Saturday.

Arrangements provide that British and American officers will escort the party down the hill to Kiukiang where, owing to the smallness of the U.S.S. Monocacy, which is now in Kiukiang, the party will be transported to Shanghai on board a Japanese transport.

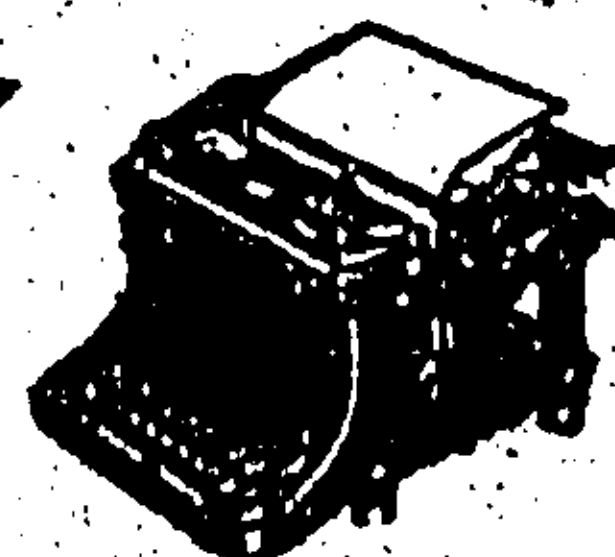
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